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### NO RIVALS

Has New Orleans in  
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Attractions Drawing Good Business—  
Shuberts May Get New Theatre—  
Other Crescent City Notes.

**D**EAR old New Orleans! What a paradise! refuge from the rigors of a northern winter she affords. Basking beneath tropical skies and famous sunsets, washed from the Gulf, she offers many allurements to the winter tourist, while the player worn by a thousand miles of travel, settles down for a season of joyous living that makes work play and play delectable.

The native of New Orleans will undertake to illustrate her growth and forecast her future by calling attention to the many improvements that are in progress or in prospect. He will tell you that, a short year ago, Canal street was paved with cobble stones and drive you about the city to point out the many skyscrapers that are to be erected ground having already been broken in several instances.

But the native of New Orleans does not require examples and illustrations to see that there is great future in store for this metropolis of the south. There is progress in the very atmosphere. It radiates from the congested streets and is tangible in the air of trade.

The opening of the Panama Canal will put New Orleans in position of one of the greatest ports in America. She is to the South what New York is to the East, Chicago to the North, and San Francisco to the West. She holds even a more important position in the heart of a metropolitan standpoint. New Orleans is the South. She has no rivals.

To-day New Orleans pays for the amusements of the world. Here is the goal that brings the theatrical companies over a thousand miles of one-night or a run of the same distance without a stop.

Good business is the reward for every attraction of merit.

The player coming from the north and east gets here the first taste of that winter paradise that extends through southern California.

New Orleans is famous the world over for her entertainments. The player can sample up in a breakfast at Madame Begue's or the Old Hickory, luncheon at Fabacher's or the St. Charles, dinner at the Louisiana and supper at the Ratskeller, with visits between to the Sarcene. The old Abeyneth House and Hamm's. There are the two race tracks, which provide all the accessories of June weather in January.

Preparations are already under way for Mardi Gras next month and even now hotel accommodations must be engaged long in advance.

The theatres are all filled at every performance, and though there is no amusement park open, there is no doubt that paying patronage would be forthcoming for about three such institutions the year round.

Col. John D. Hopkins has taken the lease of Athletic Park which went out of business with the consolidation of the several street car companies and was afterwards swept by fire. He proposes to make the remains available for a first-class Mecca of amusements to operate throughout the year.

The end of the litigation over the title to the ground occupied by West End is in prospect and it is all probability that park will be reopened next season. The entertainment amusement company that will make it what it should be. The location is ideal, on Lake Poughkeepsie and only a few minutes' ride from the center of the city.

There is little doubt that the Shuberts will have a theatre in New Orleans next season. They are now negotiating with the owners of the Lyric and are practically sure to obtain one of those houses.

That other theatres to play the syndicate and independent attractions will be erected in a short time is a foregone conclusion.

The Inter-State Vaudeville Circuit will soon have a house in the Crescent City, option having already been secured upon several pieces of property.

True New Orleans is booming. What with her many climatic advantages, her cosmopolitan character and her happy location she is destined in a short time to be one of the chief amusement cities in the United States.

CLIFFE PHILLIPS

The Municipal Theatre at Northampton, Mass., made an average of \$9,000 last year, the receipts being \$11,058.00 and the expenses \$11,058.67. The balance of \$4.61 will be used to reduce the 1904 deficit of \$8,100.

The new \$20,000 opera house at Akron, La., was formally opened Feb. 1.



Marguerite Clark, with DeWolf Hopper, in Happyland.

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George Evans and a number of other professionals who are enthusiastic over baseball, have organized a syndicate to purchase the Buffalo National League Club, franchise, players and all, for \$10,000. It is said that an offer of \$22,500 has been made.

### SELL OPERA HOUSE

McShaffrey & Co. have sold their opera house at Brownsville, Pa., and will devote their entire time to the management of their Monongahela circuit including theatres at Monessen, Dora, Monongahela and Rosco.

### BUYS HALF INTEREST

Ransom H. Bradley, of Putnam, Conn., has purchased half the stock in the opera house at Woonsocket, R. I., and will have it placed on the Jackson & Gorman Circuit which consists of houses at Meriden, New London, Norwich and Putnam.

There is talk of a new theatre at Badine, Ws.

### MISS WILCOX

Is Successful Playwright in Mizpah

Sutro Furnishes Comedy for Ellis Jeffries—Premieres Given in New York and Baltimore.

**M**IZPAH a poetical play, in four acts and ten scenes, by Ella Wheeler and Luscombe Seareille, was given its premiere Monday evening, Feb. 1, at Ford's Opera House, Baltimore, Md., under the direction of Charles Frohman. The cast:

King Abasurus . . . . . J. H. Gilmour  
Haman . . . . . William Harcourt  
Mordecal . . . . . Charles Harbury  
Luscombe . . . . . Stanley Dark  
Zethar . . . . . Frank Tammehill, Jr.  
First Guard . . . . . Harris L. Forbes  
Second Guard . . . . . Warren Conlan  
A General . . . . . William Garwood  
A Minstrel . . . . . John McCloskey  
Queen Vashti . . . . . Olive Oliver  
Hannah . . . . . Adele Block  
Mospah . . . . . Engel Summer  
Period—Captivity of the Jews in Persia.

**SYNOPSIS.**  
ACT I.—Scene 1—Boudoir of Queen Vashti.

Scene 2—Banquet hall in the king's palace at the king's palace.

ACT II.—Scene 1—A stable. Scene 2—The king's palace.

ACT III.—Scene 1—Apartment in Haman's palace. Scene 2—Garden of the king's palace. Scene 3—Outside the palace walls. Scene 4—Anteroom of Queen Vashti's chamber.

ACT IV.—Scene 1—A part of the garden. Scene 2—Grand reception hall in the king's palace.

Music by Luscombe Seareille and William T. French. Produced under the stage direction of William Seymour. Scenery by Ernest Grimes. Costumes by Daxton.

The performance which marked the advent of Ella Wheeler Wilcox as a playwright was the most of interest because of its success. Miss Wilcox is present and received a standing ovation.

Mizpah is founded on the beautiful Biblical story of Esther. It is written in blank verse and the lines are beautiful. It develops that the king's queen, Vashti, and Haman have conspired against the king's wife. Abasurus has just returned from a conquest in Persia and has brought with him a number of captives among them being Mordecal. Vashti is sent to the king and he is pleased. Then are condemned before the court a number of beautiful maidens, one of whom is to take the queen's place. Esther is chosen. Intrigues and machinations follow and Esther and the king are separated but are joined together again in the final triumph of love and loyalty.

Mr. Frohman has provided an excellent company for the play, and every other effort was made to promote its success. William Harcourt and Charles Harbury are the leading actors, and the great satisfaction of the audience.

Adele Block, stately and handsome, made an indelible impression as Esther. Olive Oliver in her rôle was quite successful. The minor characters were well cast.

The Parisian background affords a display of handsome scenery and costume.

Charles Frohman, Wells Hawks and other members of the staff were present.

The proceeds of the evening were dedicated to a local charity.

### SILVAN SCHENTHAL.

THE FASCINATING MR. VANDERVELT. Alfred Sutro's new comedy, entitled The Fascinating Mr. Vandervelt, served to introduce the J. C. Leyendecker's to an American audience and the reception she received at Ford's Theatre, Monday evening, Jan. 22, was enthusiastic to a degree. The author best describes the new comedy as a comedy of manners. He thought the manners must be much English, the American audience appeared to like the comedy very much. Frank Worthing shared honors with Miss Jeffreys. Mr. Sutro witnessed the premiere from a box. The cast:

Lady Clarice Howland . . . . . Ella Jeffreys  
Sir George Cole . . . . . John C. Leyendecker  
Lady Clementina Desborough . . . . . Essex Dane  
Miss Pelling . . . . . Muriel Wyford  
Mrs. Brevill . . . . . Constance Walton  
Mrs. Mellon . . . . . Elsie De Wolfe  
Hyde Franklin . . . . . Frank Worthing  
Clara King . . . . . Herbert Sleath  
Lord Woolham . . . . . Lewis C. Meriwether  
Sir Bartholomew Cardell . . . . . Reginald Eyre  
Gwendolyn . . . . . Rudge Harding  
Rev. Hubert Langton . . . . . Henry Hallay  
Mr. Mellon . . . . . Gerald H. Denham  
Footman . . . . . Edward Denham

## Broadway :: Topics

New York Office, 1440 Broadway.

By WALTER K. HILL.

**H**ENRY MILLER suddenly determined to withdraw. Griswold's Way at the Princess on Saturday night, Jan. 27. In consequence the house will be dark for two weeks, until he presents a new comedy. The Indiscretion of Truth.

The House of Silence, having proven unsatisfactory, James K. Hackett withdrew it after Thursday night's performance. The Savoy was dark Friday night, and The Walls of Jericho were removed at the same time. James K.

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Prof. L. Conterno's big musical war-spectacle entitled, Battles of Our Nation, is now being booked in the large auditoriums and park theatres by W. W. Randall and C. A. of the Broadway Theatre Bldg. This spectacle explores the history of over seventy-five people, requires two sets of scenes, and the history of the United States are shown in a series of scenic tableaux interspersed with appropriate martial music as well as special musical numbers. The band of thirty-five pieces under the leadership of Prof. L. Conterno.

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Mr. Will H. Barnes, owner of that wonderful mare "Princess Trixie," has deposited \$1,000 to the credit of The Billboard, and issued a challenge to Mr. C. L. Edwards, owner of the great "Bonner," to deposit a like sum, the owner of the most intelligent horse to be awarded the \$2,000, after a contest to determine which is the most intelligent animal. For place and conditions of contest, see Mr. Barnes' advertisement on page thirty-eight of this issue.

The disclosure in the unsavory Towns Topics suit that Abe Erlanger had been a contributor, created quite a buzz of comment in the profession. Acton Davies' name also figured in the testimony, and although he has nothing to reproach himself with, he doubtless heartily wishes he had never heard of the sheet.

## COOPER DEFENSE FUND

Frank C. Cooper, the well-known theatrical advance agent, was compelled, in self-defense, to shoot a man named Smith at Danville, Ill., on Dec. 27. Smith died four days later. Cooper is now in jail on a charge of murder. He is entirely without funds with which to prepare a defense. At the request of several of his intimate friends, The Billboard is raising a fund for that purpose. All subscriptions will be promptly acknowledged and forwarded to the treasurer of the fund.

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The surprise of last week was the announcement that E. H. Sothern and Miss Marlowe would sever their connection with Mr. Charles Frohman at the end of the present season, and open early next fall under the management of Sam S. and Lee Shubert. The contract under which these stars are appearing under the direction of Charles Frohman has still a year to run after the present season. The fact that it has been abrogated would indicate that Mr. Frohman is quite as willing to part company with the stars as they are with him.

Under the agreement for a three years' season, Mr. Sothern and Miss Marlowe, it is said, were to receive \$1,250 per week each; Mr. Frohman to pay the expenses of their supporting company and all other outlays for productions, plays, etc. Mr. Sothern might be termed a protege of the Frohman's. He was given his first real opportunity by Charles Frohman, a brother of Charles Frohman, his present manager. It was Charles Frohman who made him a star, and smoothed all the rough places in the actor's career. Miss Marlowe also has been directly or indirectly connected with the Frohman's ever since she came into fame.

It can be said for both Mr. Sothern and Miss Marlowe that they have always fulfilled the utmost expectations of their managers.

Very truly yours,  
J. E. STEBBING.

## A CORRECTION

Periods seeking employment in the property department of the Carl Hagenbeck Shows direct to J. L. Buck, superintendent of properties, W. S. James and Val C. Cleary. It is hardly necessary to advise that this is a case of piracy, and that no one but Miss Rose Melville can have the right to produce Sis Hopkins, and we have not delegated that right to anyone.

Very truly yours,  
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LUX-HOYT. — Saul H. Lux, electrician, and Miss Grace Hoyt, both of the Avenue Girls Burlesques, at Chicago, Jan. 16.

## DEATHS

F. S. Stedman, for the past eight years secretary of the Duquesne Kennel Club of Pittsburgh, Pa., died suddenly Jan. 22. Charles Zimmerman, manager of Fred Zimmerman's, died at Milwaukee, Wisc., Jan. 23, at one of the New York theatres in a repertory which will include three Shakespearean works and two new plays. The latter are *Joan of Arc* and *Richard III*, the former, which Mr. Sothern has had ready for production for several months, and a piece as yet unnamed from the pen of Percy Mackay. Mr. Sothern and Miss Marlowe will also re-enact Mr. Zimmerman's allegorical comedy, *The Sun* in Bell.

A member of the Kentucky Legislature, Mr. Klar, has introduced an unusual bill which makes it unlawful to present "any play that is based upon the antagonism alleged formerly to exist between master and slave or that excites race prejudice." The penalty for violation of the bill is a fine of from \$100 to \$500 or imprisonment for one to three months. It is a direct outgrowth of the production of *The Clansman*. This play has stirred up more discussion than "cussin'" than we have had for a long time.

Can a woman keep a secret? Well, it appears so, at least in this instance. This is Old Spoons' secret, and in honor of the occasion she is playing the leading role in *The Pretty Sister of Jose* at the Bijou Theatre in Brooklyn. But the Spoons press agent, Miss Marie Fitzgerald, persistently claims that she is the only one who can direct the curtain to disclose what birth-daying is being celebrated. So why doesn't she appear unmasked though, don't it?

The Olivia Stock Co., recently organized in Chanute, Kan., by W. E. Andrews, opened in that city 18-20 to good business. The roster includes W. E. Andrews, Kathleen Barrett, Marian Anderson, W. H. Bayliss, Margaret Ford, Ruth Nairn, C. Green Allen, A. J. Glass, T. S. Charlton and Allen P. Laing.

Dollie Temple, who recently joined Weitz's High Class Stock Co., is doing well in the leading role. At a special feature Loren Quillon and Ethel May do an acrobatic and contortion act. V. O. Brown is doing nicely in another. Business is good writes J. H. McCarthy.

Joseph Shipman has booked a complete route for Virginia Drew Prescott in *When Knighthood Was in Flower*. The tour began Jan. 30 at Albany, N. Y., and will end in Milwaukee, Wis., June 8. It is an entirely new production.

Nancy of the Hills is the title of a new play written by William W. Lapoint, author of *When Women Love*. The Clara Turner girl's new play, which makes the third of Mr. Lapoint's plays in her repertoire.

The Kline-King-McDermott Co. closed Jan. 20 at Van Wert, Ohio, to the regret of Mrs. Kline's father, Mrs. King, who has been appointed administrator. Mr. King and Mr. Lambert are resting at Shreve, Ohio.

Chas. Barnes closed with the King-Shephard Co. at Clarksville, Ia., and Harry Goff succeeded him. Blain Whipple replaced El. T. Joyner at Perry, Ia., the latter closing to join a stock company in Chicago.

Albert Gallatin continues to delight western audiences with his brilliant presentation of *Cousin Kate* under the King-Shephard & Colvin management. She will appear in a new play the latter part of April.

John R. Rogers requests that we give credit to the entire company for the match box, cutter and knife recently given to Harry Gilmore. Mr. Rogers simply made the presentation speech.

Richard Harding Davis, author of *Gallop*, in which Raymond Hitchcock is appearing, New Haven, attended the performance at Parsons' Theatre, Hartford, Conn., recently.

The Harris-Parkinson Co. played to \$2,250 at the Mattoon Theatre, Mattoon, Ill., week of 15. Four matinees, including a Saturday morning performance, were given.

Ogden Stewart, who plays King Henry in *When Knighthood Was in Flower*, rejoined that company at Quincy, Ill., after a week's illness in Kansas City, Mo.

Tom North, advance agent for Her Only Sin Co., was entertained recently by Messrs. Hackett and Fisher of the Market Street Theatre, Port Gibson, Miss.

Richard Mansfield sympathizes with Mr. Edward. Let everybody shout for the Divine Sarah Bernhardt—everybody in Europe respond at once.

An attractive little folder just received tells all about Bowland & O'Connor's production of *The Pool's Revenge* in which Porter J. White is starring.

Ben Pfaufler, late of the Walter L. Main forces, joined the Little Lord Fauntleroy Co. at Lewiston, Me., Jan. 20, to go in advance.

Warren Catterlin writes that he is in his twelfth successful year with the Bumbl-Alwood Stock Co. in East St. Louis, Mo.

Miss John E. Drew, known professionally as Addie Collins, is said to be dying at the Mercy Hospital, Denver, Col.

Col. Vedder, business manager for the Henderson Stock Co., playing the Chamberlain Circuit, reports good business.

Tim Murphy and Dorothy Sherrod are meeting with unusual success in their revival of *Boys' A Texas Steer*.

Richard Henderson of the Henderson Stock Co., states that big business has been the rule all along the line.

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JOSEPH-JONES. — C. Calvin Winters, a musician of Cleveland, Ohio, and Miss Alice Jones, of the Johnny Ray Co., at Cleveland last week.

ST. CLARE-BOWERS. — Miss Trixie St. Clare, a chorus girl, and Henry M. Bowers, Dec. 6.

DAWSON. — Miss Hazel Haroun, an actress of Toledo, Ohio, and Ralph Fuller, Eldridge, of Boston, Mass., Jan. 25, at Toledo, Ohio.

He is also reported to have said: "Actors on the stage are scarce. Actors off the stage are plentiful. Many an actor set out with an ideal, but failing to gain general favor has abandoned it for the easier method of winning popular acclaim."

Richard Mansfield addressed the students of the University of Pennsylvania last week, and, if we are to believe the public press, the pith of his address may be summed in the following words: "Life's a blur, and if you are wise to the game you'll blur with the rest of humanity. The difference between the man off the stage and the man on it is often merely that the first acts while the others acts acting."

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RAPIH Moody is playing his second season with the Bumbl-Alwood Stock Co. in East St. Louis, Ill.

The council of Cleveland, Ohio, is considering plans for a pseudo-municipal theatre. If erected, the building will be in conjunction with other city buildings.

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DAWSON CANCELED TIME

Miss Delmain, of the team of Allen and Delmain, is suffering with a severe throat affection, and the team has been forced to cancel all its western tour. They have gone to their home, 340 Madison street, Brooklyn, N. Y., where they will remain until about March 1.

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## Tent Shows

Circus  
Museum  
Menagerie  
Wild West

## YANKEE ROBINSON SHOW

This show, when it leaves the winter quarters in Des Moines, Ia., will probably be one of the best equipped wagon shows in America. No second-hand material will be with the show. Baker & Lockwood are building all the caravans and a prominent wagon company of Illinois is will furnish all the wagons and baggage wagons. The stock will consist of young draft horses. The show will carry a band-wagon, four tableaux, ten cages, and carriage; Tom-Tom, the big elephant, two camels and altogether there will be over 200 people with the organization. New men to be added to the balesters. The Yankee Robinson Show will open in Des Moines in May, and will tour Iowa, Missouri, Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota. Poggy O'Brien, now in winter quarters, will be with the show. John Stewart will have charge of the big elephant which he has taught a lot of new tricks; George Casper will be boss animal man; Lou Cannon, now in winter quarters, will manage the candy stand, and G. B. Brown will be in charge of the collection. Eddie Gray will look after the dressing top and Wm. Lloyd will be at the front door. There will be two wagons in advance. The show will carry a 90-foot big top, with two 40-foot middle pieces; a generic top, 50 ft. with 30 ft. middle, 50 ft. with 30 ft. with one; two stable 28x48; cook house 28x48. Over 80 head of horses will be required to haul the show. The Yankee Robinson Show will make a territory railroad show are unable to touch.

## CIRCUSES VS. RAILROADS

C. L. Norton, of the Big Four Railroad announces that as far as that system is concerned that contracts with circuses will be made in 1906 at the same terms and subject to the same conditions that obtained in 1905. There will be no changes whatever. Agents and advertising men will be satisfied with the same liberty they were accorded last year.

If the Big Four goes on record in this matter without hesitation it would seem that there is little likelihood of the other roads canning during the year.

It would seem that there has been much needless alarm and apprehension among showmen. The Billboard is glad to allay further apprehension.

## SAILED FOR FRANCE

On Wednesday, Jan. 18, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Patchin, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Platt and Charles Petty, all of the Buffalo Bill Show, sailed from New York on the French mail steamer Le Savoie, for Havre, en route to Marseilles, France. Among those at the landing were Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Clegg, Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley F. Dawson, Nate Davis, Mike Gil, John O'Donnell, Harvey Watkin and Johnny Baker. Several of the Buffalo Bill working force sailed Jan. 23.

## CIRCUS GOSSIP

Wm. J. Elliott, who has been under the physicians care in Hot Springs, Ark., has returned to his home in Evansville, Ind. W. R. Chambers of Evansville writes us concerning Mr. Elliott's condition as follows: "Mr. Elliott made the trip home as well as could be expected, considering his weak condition and is very little improved, if any at all. He is unable to eat anything with the exception of the white of an egg every three hours, so you see he has very little to sustain him. The doctor has given him a diet and we all sincerely believe that he is improving gradually. Mr. Elliott wishes me to kindly remember him to all his friends."

A member of the Sells & Downs Show writes: Everything is on the rush for an early opening in April. Superintendent Goodell and Shanty Smith are keeping the workmen to work. Bertie Rose and the Savoys are teaching in a military entrée and several new riding acts. Menagerie Superintendent Texas is training the elephants for a beautiful act and they are so perfect that they could stand a show upon a week's notice. Mr. Jones is in the act. He has a new act, more elephants, one giraffe, one hippo, a pair of zebras and a den of performing seals. He returns about Feb. 1.

The Billboard's correspondent at Decatur, Ill., writes: Decatur Elks regret the fact that Fred Ledgett, back rider, is not with the Elks' indoor Circus this year. Many counted him a good man to ride with him. He is at his beautiful home in Rockford. He was made a member of the Decatur Elks last winter, and was initiated at a special morning session one day last June, when the Barnum & Bailey Show was here.

On Jan. 8, at Vienna, Austria, Prof. Kukula, at the hospital of Prague University, suffered a severe operation on his eye, necessitating the so-called Siamese twin girls, exhibited for several years past, to be removed. The girls are Rose and Joseph Blazek. They are now over twenty years of age and are greatly improved over their emanicipation from the anatomical land.

E. Mott, with the Lockman-Kestch Show last season, was in Cincinnati Jan. 26, en route to Tampa, Fla., to join the Cole & Rogers Show, to play barton in O. W. Pixley's Military Band. Since the closing of Pixley's Concert Band he has been wintering in Canada, where he is now. He would be glad to hear from his many friends.

Gene R. Milton, acting manager for Garland Garden in The Senator's Wild West, with the Barnum & Bailey Show in the spring.

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FOR TENT LIGHTS

AND OUTSIDE LIGHTS.

BEO. TAYLOR, 97 Cliff Street, NEW YORK.

Things are getting lively around the winter quarters of the Barnum & Bailey Show, the Ringling Bros. Circus, the show leaves March 10 for New York City, where it opens March 17.

Thomas Hargreaves was called to Cuba Jan. 13, regarding the tariff on some stamp he shipped there recently. The Hargreaves Show opens in April at Chester, Pa.

Dave Lewis and wife sailed for Europe Jan. 19.

Mention "The Billboard" when answering ads.

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## THRIVING CHICAGO RESORT

Of all the great outdoor amusement resorts of Chicago, it safely may be said that none has grown with the growth of the city so characteristically as has Riverview Park. For nearly forty years, it has been a retreat where the city's idle girls have been relieved and brightened by its promotions from the very outset, aimed at making it typically sylvan. Its original physical aspects were preserved as closely as circumstances would permit, the native oaks, woodland and other natural beauties being left untouched.

How many hundreds of thousands of picnickers have enjoyed the shade of its pleasant groves, as utterly oblivious of the great city's din as if they were in the country hundreds of miles away. Riverview Park is a walking distance of fully 500,000 people while over 1,000,000,000 can reach it within a 20 minute car ride, which costs only a nickel from any part of the city.

Barney H. Dernareast has signed Olive Swan's Equestrian Combination to open at Hillside Pleasure Park, Newark, N. J., May 26, and to continue for twelve weeks.

COL. M. H. Welsh has closed his Waternel Trust Co. and returned to his home Chambersburg, Pa., to prepare Dreamland Park for the season.

A new park to be operated in opposition to Idore Park at Youngstown, Ohio, is reported to be a possibility of the coming season.

Indications now are that there will be over fifteen hundred parks in operation in the United States and Canada during the coming season.

The new trolley line from Philadelphia to Atlantic City, N. J., will surely soon be the latter place this summer.

The Cosmopolitan Amusement Co. is playing to good business in spite of rain, and has secured the business in Louisville and Mississippi until May 15, after which date they come north. Several members of the Adelaide Thurston and the Fortune Teller company and Kit Carson's Wild West visited them Jan. 15. E. E. Garner spent his buck with the show last week.

L. J. White will open his park at Marinette, Wis., June 10.

## WHITE CITY FOR OSHKOSH

That unique summer resort in Chicago known as White City has set a warm pace in outdoor amusements and a number of other cities are falling in line. Oshkosh, Wis., is to have a White City. If we may believe the latest reports, it will be a great outdoor amusement center. Electric Park, three miles south of the city on Lake Winnebago, which the traction company has been operating for several seasons, has been leased by J. Francis Miller, a representative of Chicago's White City, who proposes to organize a company in which both Chicago and Oshkosh capital will be represented.

The park will open about June 1. The plans call for an expenditure of about \$70,000 in construction, which will include improvements and in landscape gardening. The lagoon will be dredged out and a cafe will be built.

Mr. Miller has been in Oshkosh for several days and arrangements appear to be well under way.

## IMPROVING BALTIMORE RESORT

When the improvements at River View Park are completed, Baltimore, Md., will have one of the handsomest and greatest summer parks in the country.

The improvements consist of a magnificent and spacious new pavilion and a lake with a handsome portico surrounding it. The plans were drawn by Simonson & Pletsch, and the work will be done by Richmond H. F. & Co. Altogether, \$50,000 will be expended on the resort.

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## PARK NOTES

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Barney H. Dernareast has signed Olive Swan's Equestrian Combination to open at Hillside Pleasure Park, Newark, N. J., May 26, and to continue for twelve weeks.

COL. M. H. Welsh has closed his Waternel Trust Co. and returned to his home Chambersburg, Pa., to prepare Dreamland Park for the season.

A new park to be operated in opposition to Idore Park at Youngstown, Ohio, is reported to be a possibility of the coming season.

Indications now are that there will be over fifteen hundred parks in operation in the United States and Canada during the coming season.

The new trolley line from Philadelphia to Atlantic City, N. J., will surely soon be the latter place this summer.

The illumination of Riverview Park by night may be sold to view with the sunlight. Over 100,000 electric lights of all sizes light up every nook and corner of the spacious grounds.

L. J. White will open his park at Marinette, Wis., June 10.

STREET FAIRS  
CARNIVALS

## PARKER FACTORIES HUMMING

The busy hum of hammers and the whirr of wheels are heard in crescendo throughout the great Abilene factories of Col. Charles W. Parker. Always in the van, as the creator of the most popular amusement attraction, the Amusement King, intends introducing a new list of original features by means of his four companies the coming season. With the true managerial instinct he has learned that the desire of the amusement-loving public for new things in the trade is an ever increasing.

The Great Parker Amusement Co., the New Parker Amusement Co., the O. W. Parker Amusement Co., and the Parker Fairyland Co. will be equipped and renovated in such fashion that they will present a practically new appearance.

The park will open about June 1. The plans call for an expenditure of about \$70,000 in construction, which will include improvements and in landscape gardening. The lagoon will be dredged out and a cafe will be built.

Mr. Miller has been in Oshkosh for several days and arrangements appear to be well under way.

## IMPROVING BALTIMORE RESORT

When the improvements at River View Park are completed, Baltimore, Md., will have one of the handsomest and greatest summer parks in the country.

The improvements consist of a magnificent and spacious new pavilion and a lake with a handsome portico surrounding it. The plans were drawn by Simonson & Pletsch, and the work will be done by Richmond H. F. & Co. Altogether, \$50,000 will be expended on the resort.

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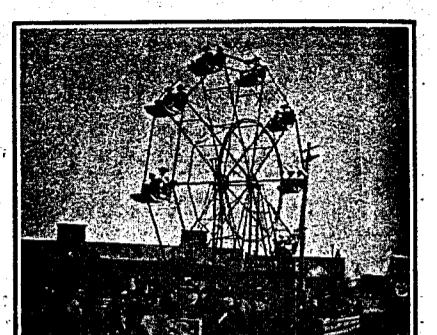
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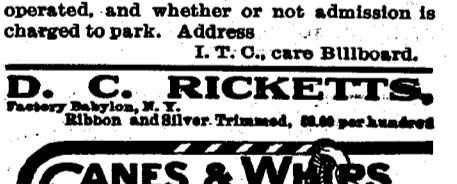
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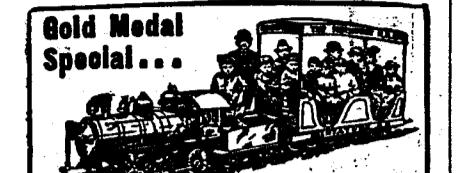
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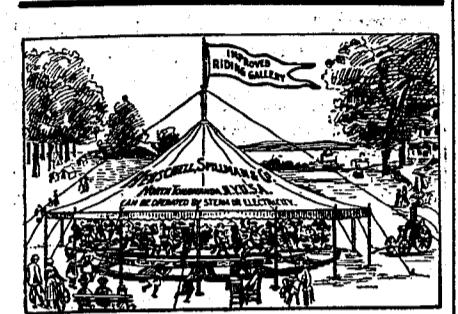
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## ROANOKE FAIR GROUNDS SOLD

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Roanoke (Va.) Fair Association, held Jan. 15, it was voted to sell the grounds to the Roanoke Railway Co. was ratified. The consideration was \$28,000. The association paid \$8,000 for the grounds three years ago. In addition to the profit of \$20,000, the association cleared \$8,000 on the fair grounds, and will retain the fence and buildings on the grounds which have been purchased for \$20,000.

AGRICULTURAL FAIRS

The Hamilton County Oakley Fair Association in their recent dissolution charged of gross mismanagement have been made. The board is evenly split. Frank Fox has tendered his resignation.

The Macom (Ga.) Fair Association held a meeting night of Jan. 22, at which last season's business was finally wound up, and another was voted upon. President Geo. A. Smith was re-elected.

The Bench Show as an adjunct to county fairs will be more popular than ever this season.

## FAIR NOTES

F. B. Davidson and J. D. C. Freeman, who were connected with the Lewis & Clark Exposition, have made a contract with the management of the Jamestown Exposition for the management and operation of the fair, which will make a trip from Portland to Jamestown Roads in the fall, following the route to the Fair.

Frank Fox, the only successful gas bag maker in the country, has the Potowmack river where the boat they use is taken overland it will be taken by rail to the points on rivers used by the explorers of a century ago.

The following officers of the Dodge County, Wis., Fair Association were elected Jan. 17 at Beaver Dam: Hon. W. A. Van Brunt, president; Byron Barwig, vice-president; H. L. Drury, treasurer; and Frank Klett, secretary. The new meeting will be held Sept. 24-25. Every privilege man made big money last year and 40,000 attended on Thursday. No gambling is allowed. It is one of the best fairs in the west.

The Plainfield, Ill., Fair Association recently elected the following officers: J. G. Smith, president; G. W. Klett, vice-president; H. L. Drury, treasurer; and Frank Klett, secretary. Dr. Lewis Smith, Mrs. Wm. Brown and C. E. Fraser are newly elected directors. The fair last year was very successful and the brightest hope is entertained for the second year.

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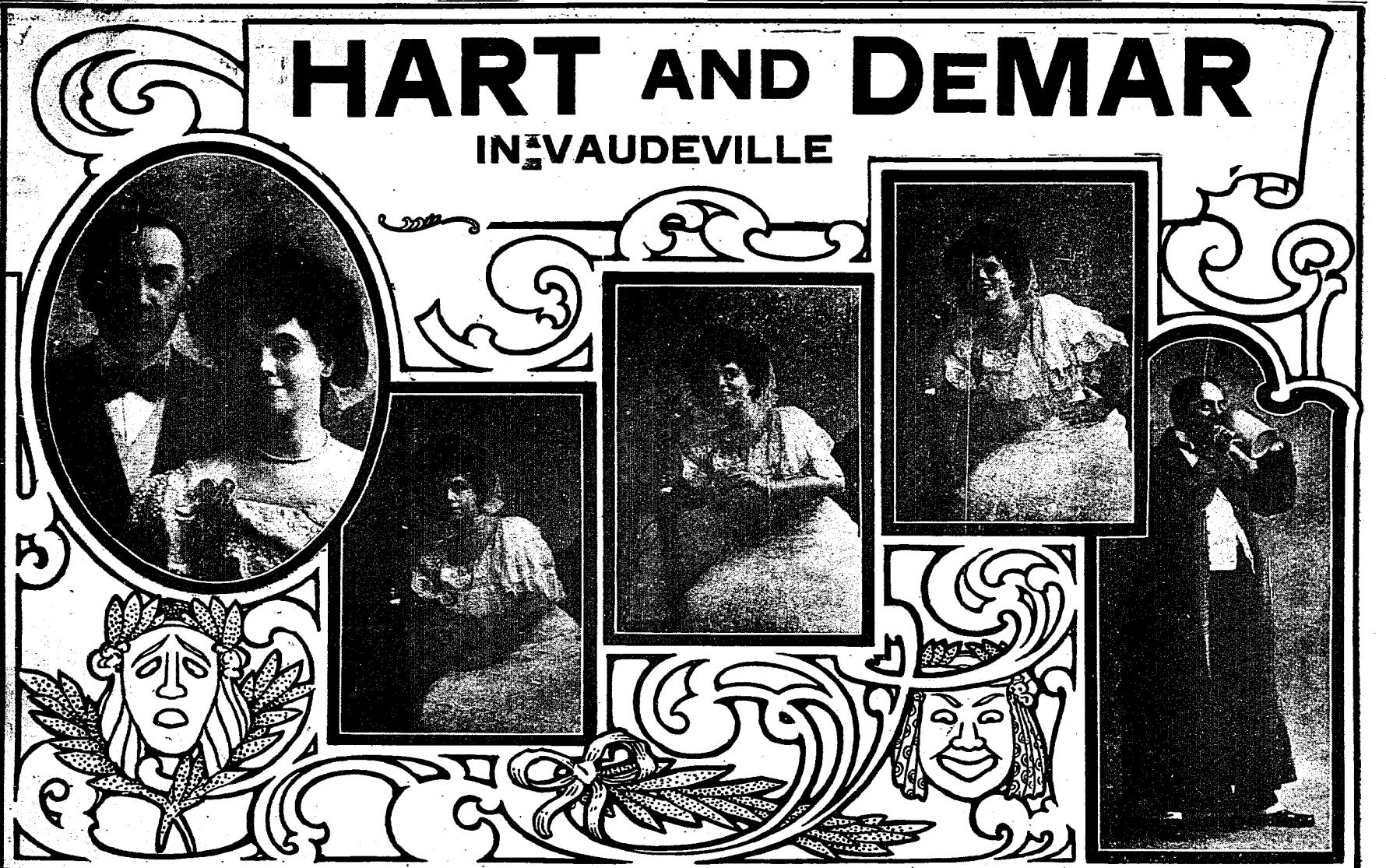
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### ROUTES

(Continued from page 19.)

Samuels, Chalk (Keeney's): Brooklyn, N. Y.	29-Feb. 8.	Wallace & Beach (Benson's): Chicago, Ill.	28-Feb. 3; (Bijou) Grand Rapids, Mich.
Bull & Phelps (Orpheum): Mansfield, O.	29-Feb. 8.	Westcott, Eva & Co. (Grand): Indianapolis, Ind.	29-Feb. 3; (Columbus) Cincinnati, O.
Sunny South (Colonial): New York City.	29-Feb. 8.	Weat & Benton (Bijou): Jackson, Mich.	29-Feb. 3; (Bijou) Kalamazoo 5-10.
Salerno, A. (Orpheum): New Orleans, La.	29-Feb. 8.	Wood Bros.: Middletown, Conn.	29-Feb. 3; (Bijou) Kalamazoo 5-10.
Shaw's Three (Columbia): Cincinnati, O.	29-Feb. 8.	Yostens, N. Y.	6-10.
Shanty Town Duo (People's): Leavenworth, Kan.	29-Feb. 8.	Zimmer, John (G. O. H.): Indianapolis, Ind.	29-Feb. 3.
Simon-Gardner Co. (Maryland): Baltimore, Md.	29-Feb. 8.	Williams, Fred (Orpheum): Milwaukee, Wis.	29-Feb. 3; (Bijou) Minneapolis.
Spillane, Bob & Mack (Cook's): Rochester, N. Y.	29-Feb. 8.	Wise, Fred (Orpheum): Burlington, Vt.	29-Feb. 3; (Bijou) Rock Island, Ill.
Tasmanian Troupe (Puffin's): Havana, Cuba.	29-Feb. 8.	Wood Bros.: Duluth, Minn.	29-Feb. 3.
Thorne, Anna (Capitol): Glens Falls, N. Y.	29-Feb. 8.	Wright, Dolly (Bijou): Duluth, Minn.	29-Feb. 3.
Thatcher, Eva (Novelty): Los Angeles, Cal.	29-Feb. 8.	Arcata, Big (Orpheum): New Orleans, La.	5-10.
Thurston, Howard: Touring Australia.	29-Feb. 8.	Van, Joe (Grand): Stockton, Cal.	29-Feb. 3; (Bijou) Wheeling, W. Va.
Trotter, Eddie: En route with the Show Girl.	29-Feb. 8.	Zimmerman, Willy (Shea's): Buffalo, N. Y.	29-Feb. 3; (Shea's) Toronto, Ont.
Sea-Maid Sisters (Orkin Bros.): Mexico City, Mex.	29-Feb. 8.	Zucker, C. (Crystal): Rock Island, Ill.	29-Feb. 3; (Bijou) DesMoines, Ia.
Thorne, G. & Carlson (Orpheum): Kansas City, Mo.	29-Feb. 8.	Young, Eddie (Orpheum): Indianapolis, Ind.	6-10.
Thorne, G. & Carlson (Lyceum): San Francisco, Calif.	29-Feb. 8.	Zoellers, The Three (Family): Mahanoy City, Pa.	29-Feb. 3.
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Tourists Trio (Olympic): Chicago, Ill.	29-Feb. 8.	Young, Eddie (Orpheum): Indianapolis, Ind.	6-10.
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## CORRESPONDENCE

(Continued from page 14.)

**HAROLDSTON.** — Opera House. Pumpkin Husker 10; fair show and business. Denver Express 23; Not Like other Girls 25.

**JEFFERSON CITY.** — New Jefferson Theatre (W. J. Edwards, mgr.) King of Tramps 8; pleased fair audience. Harry Beraford 10; good show and business. Irish Pawnbrokers 12; good show and business. Paul Jones 20; A. Poor Relation 22; Chaperons 27; Myrtle Harder Stock Co. 29.

**JOPLIN.** — New Club Theatre (L. F. Ballard, mgr.) A. Royal Slave 16; good business. Paul Jones Opera Co. 17; good business and show. A. Royal Slave 18; good business. Dora Thorne 21; good business. Chaperons 22; pleased good business. What Women Will Do Feb 1; When Women Love 4.

New Lyric Theatre (Chas. E. Hodkin, mgr.) Business good and bill me week 14.

**KANSAS CITY.** — White Wood (Woodward & Burrows, mgr.) King of Tramps 10; good business. Land of Nod 22-27; average attendance. The Serio-Comic Girl 28; Tim Murphy 1-8. The Grand (Hudson & Judd, mgr.) Adventures in the Way to Kenmare 21; good business and others week 21; business and bill good. Billy B. Van week 22.

**MONTANA.** — Open House (A. L. Babcock, mgr.) The Moonshiner's Daughter 17; pleased fair business.

**NEBRASKA.** — Larson's Theatre (W. Lowery, mgr.) A. Thoroughbred Tramp 25.

**NEW YORK.** — Grand Island. Opera House (H. J. B. Babcock, mgr.) The Moonshiner's Daughter 22; Shadows of a Great City 23.

The Orpheum (Martin Lehman, mgr.) Usual good business week 21; when the bill comprised Salerno, Lew Solly, Kloss Sisters, Mignonette Kokini, and others. Thorne and Carleton feature the program week 28.

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Yale's Theatre (Lloyd Brown, mgr.) Good vaudeville at bargain prices continues to draw well.

National Theatre (F. L. Flanders, mgr.) Business continues good, with a change of bill weekly.

Convention Hall (Louis W. Shouse, mgr.) Damrosch's Orchestra 25; fair sized audience. Roller skating resumed 26.

**CHAS. H. SMALL.** — Harrington Opera House (Kathryn Harrington, mgr.) When Women Love 19; excellent business and performance. Paul Jones 23.

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**LEEDS.** — New Sodalis Theatre (Geo. F. Oldfield, mgr.) Miller's Hold 20; good show and business. Paul Jones 23; Land of Nod 24; When Women Love 25; Poor Relation 26.

**ATLANTIC CITY.** — Young's Pier. Moving pictures, vaudeville and other attractions are doing well. Isle of Song 20; good show and fair business. The Factory Girl 22; S. R. O. The Old Clothes 24; good business. White and Stuart 25; Chorus Girl 26.

**NEW JERSEY.** — LAS VEGAS. — Duncan Opera House (Arthur Lovre, mgr.) Murray and Mack 16; good show and business. Hooligan's Trouble 24; Ole Olson 30.

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**LYRIC.** — The Lyric (G. U. Phyllis, mgr.) Thrasher Burlesques 18-20; good show and business. Estrand Boy 21-22; large business. Woman in the Case 23-24; good business. You Never Can Tell 19; good business. Field's Minstrels 20; capacity business. Rivals 24; good business. Robt. Edeson 27; Heir to the Moor 30.

**STATE THEATRE.** (F. B. Shafter, mgr.) In Women's Forum 17; fine business. New York Stars 18-20; fine business. Too Front to Beg 22-24; pleased good business. Queen of the White Slaves 25-27; The Eye Witness 29-31; The Cracker Jacks Feb 1-3.

**NEW YORK CITY.** — M. W. Dinkins, mgr.) California Girls 8-12; good show and business. Great Layaway 16-20; good business. Mrs. Moore and Holbein, Lavine and Leonard, Mr. and Mrs. Nell Litchfield, Besse Gilbert, the Clarence Sisters, the Golders, Sheppard and Ward, Seymour and Allen, the Brooklyn Comedy Troupe, Frances Wood, and others. Out of the Fold 15-20; good business and show. National (Max Hurtt, mgr.) Smart Set 22-24; good business. Lovers and Lunatics 23-25; good business. The Graft 22; good business. Mrs. Fluke 24; Leslie Stock Co. 25; Feb 8.

**FINDLAY.** — Marvin Theatre (L. H. Cunningham, mgr.) The King of Tramps 17; good business. Black Crook 17; good business and show. King of Tramps 20; fair returns. Mr. Dooley Feb 24; pleased good attendance. Mrs. Fluke Feb 1; Uncle Tom's Cabin 8; Cornell Stock Co. 5.

**WILMINGTON.** — Ande's Opera House (H. C. Campbell, mgr.) Buster Brown 15; good show and crowded house.

**OKLAHOMA.** — Opera House (J. H. Springer, mgr.) Hap Ward in the Graft follows the Heir to the Moor 23; good show and attendance. The King of Tramps 24; King of Tramps 25; Buster Brown 25; The King of Tramps 26; An Aristocratic Tramp 27; Two Johns 21; along the Kennebec 27; Ali Star Vaudeville 28.

**EDMUND.** — Opera House (Geo. F. Oldfield, mgr.) The King of Tramps 24; good business. Mrs. Fluke 25; Buster Brown 26.

**SPRINGFIELD.** — Grand Opera House (L. Dalle, mgr.) Under Southern Skies 16; pleased good business. King of Tramps 22; fine show and crowded house. Human Hearts 30.

**PIQUA.** — May's Opera House (Chas. H. May, mgr.) The King of Tramps 22; Simple Simon 18; good business. Hot Old Time 30; Primrose Minstrels 31; Parrot Pictures 2; Human Hearts 3; Son of Best 6; Charles Grapewin 8; Little Johnny Jones 10. The King of Tramps 12; The Three Junes 12; The King of Tramps 14; Son of Best 16; King of Tramps 18; The King of Tramps 20; fair business. The Village Fool 22; fair business. Sweethearts 22; fair returns. The Man on the Box 23; record business. The Clay Baker 26; The King of Tramps 27; The King of Tramps 28.

**NORTH DAKOTA.** — Opera House (C. E. Walker, mgr.) Black Crook 15-18; good business and performance.

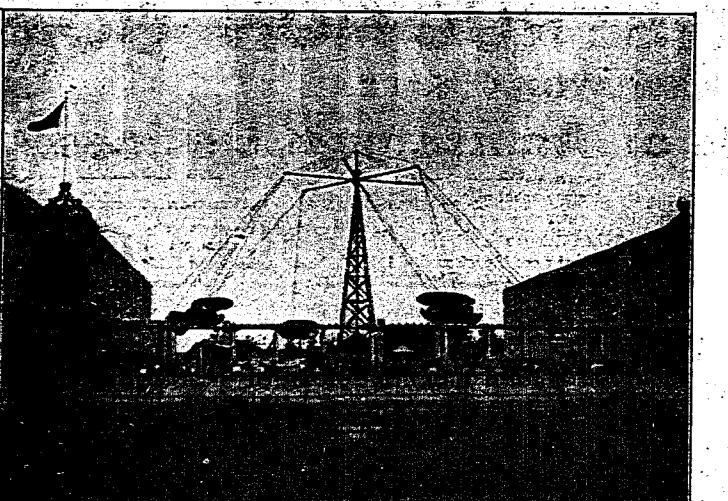
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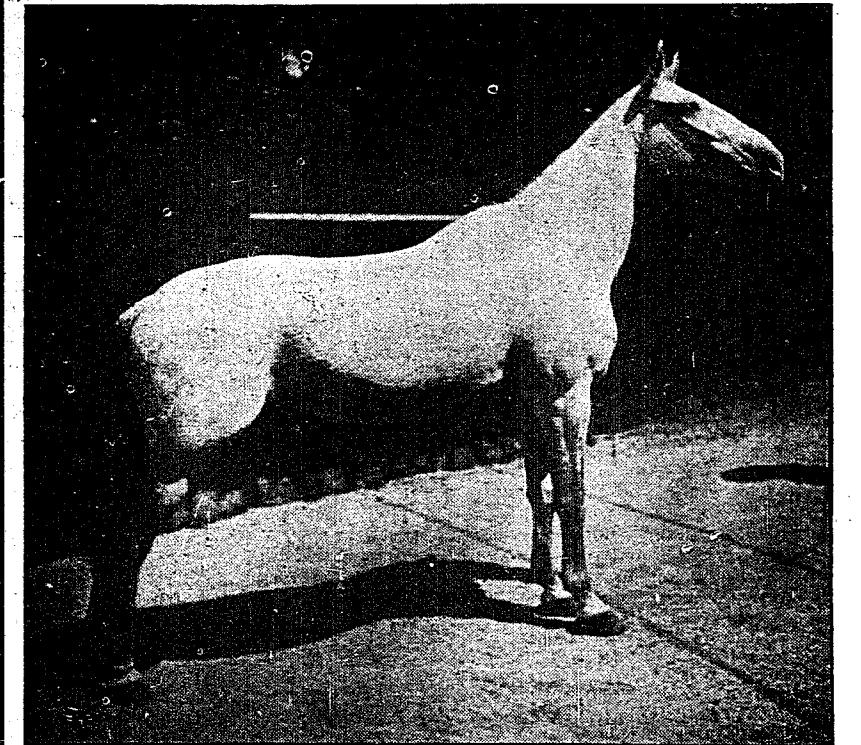


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## ONE NIGHTERS

### Find No Fault With the Weather Man

New Chain of Theatres to Be Established—Nixon & Zimmerman Enlarging Circuit.

BECAUSE of some unaccountable reason, January was the one night stand attraction, January 1906, taken all in all, was ahead of January, 1905, and far ahead of January, 1904. However, the month was bad for many attractions, and a number of them closed Feb. 8. Some of them will open again considerable time later, and will give the attractions still on the road a better opportunity to get paying houses. January was good and bad at that.

The mild winter has been a boon to attractions playing the small towns and rural communities. In most sections of the country there has been little or no cold weather, and the roads are in better condition than in previous years. The result has been that the receipts in the little towns have been better than in years past.

All in all, excepting a few of the big one-nighters, those content to play towns under 10,000 have fared the best so far this season. There is an unusually large number of small mineral companies out there, and nearly all are doing well. Many of them are digging up towns new to the majority of showmen, but it seems that no town is too small for them.

There will be an important chain of theatres along the N. & Ry. next season, if present plans are carried out. The Masons are to erect a fine, modern theatre at Hinton, W. Va., and they have already paid \$11,000 for the site. J. W. Montgomery will erect a new theatre at Montgomery, W. Va. The house at Mt. Hope has been remodeled and will open shortly. The house in conjunction with hotel at Glen Jean, W. Va., and Covington, Va., will open up a desirable territory for the one-nighters between Charleston and Staunton.

Nixon & Zimmerman will have a week of the best one-nighters in the West next season.

They recently leased the Lyceum Theatre at Beaver Falls, and new theatres will be erected at various points as has been outlined by The Billboard. It is interesting to note that these theatres will not be affiliated with the Interstate Circuit.

The Missouri Girl (eastern) played Jackson, Ohio, Jan. 26, for the ninth time and did the largest business it ever did in that city. The same show broke its own record at Wellston, Ohio, Jan. 27.

Harry Hastings' Black Crook, Jr., Burlesquers, on the only burlesque attraction in the one-night stands, is doing a nice business.

Fred McIntosh, lately manager of Deseret at the Alhambra, is looking after things in the front of the house.

The Ludlow Stock Co. was reorganized recently, and is again appearing in Pennsylvania towns.

The Dewey-Burdette Stock Co. laid off three weeks at Curlewton, W. Va., and reopened Jan. 29.

The Irene Jeavons Stock Co., which has been tied up at Aisted, W. Va., because of Miss Jeavons' illness, reopened Feb. 2.

The company will spend February in West Virginia.

The eastern Uncle Josh Spruceby Co. ended its season, Feb. 3.

B. C. Whitney's Isle of Spice company are drawing good business, both turning people away from the one-night stands.

The western company is playing the big one-night stands around Cincinnati. Frank Whitman is managing this company. Palmer Kellogg is creating interest in advance and Johnson Gilchrist is doing some splendid newspaper work.

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The new Lyceum Theatre in Springfield, Ohio, opened Jan. 20, making three offerings in that city on the same day, all giving matinees and all drawing people away at both performances.

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Dwight Pepple is ahead of Muncie & Patton's The Little Homestead which is doing well.

Leon Edwards is with Jed Carlton's His Father's Sin which is playing the nightclubs in New York.

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NELLIE LYNCH

Nellie Lynch, who is credited with a big hit as Margery Daw, in The Gingerbread Man, which appears in the Grand Opera House, Chicago, this month, is a Chicago girl who made her stage debut at the Chicago Opera House during the Henderson days, first appearing as Cupid, in *Sinbad the Sailor*. She was the original Miss Muffet in *Klav & Erlanger's Jack and the Beanstalk*, and played Rhoda succeeding Paula Edwards in *San Toy*. Miss Lynch was the first to be succeeded by David Belasco, and played with David Warfield in his first star success, *The Auctioneer*. She is a versatile, clever, young woman; a good dancer, painstaking and very ambitious.

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NEW PLAY  
Shows Eleanor Robson Without Makeup

Churchill's Premiere Effort—Florence Roberts Talks of Her Play—Mexicana Goes Into New York.

ONE of the most fashionable audiences ever assembled in Cleveland greeted Eleanor Robson Thursday night, Feb. 1, when she gave the premiere of the new *One Play* comedy, *As Syria Lived*. Miss Robson appears in *propria persona* as a modern young, typical American woman of to-day. The proverbial cold Cleveland audience warmed up to the highest pitch of enthusiasm and clapped upon the pretty young star with applause that brought the curtain up many times.

Clyde Fitch, the author, was present as was George C. Tyler, Liebler & Co.'s general manager.

The Cleveland papers are united in their declarations of praise for the new production and especially for the clever star whose portrait is cited as *par excellence*.

The *One Play* by Edward E. Hall will be produced in Cincinnati at the Grand Opera House Thursday evening, Feb. 8. The engagement will be one of the big events in theatrical circles in the Queen City.

## THE STRENGTH OF THE WEAK

Florence Roberts' new play, entitled *The Strength of the Weak*, written by Alice M. Smith, was given its formal premiere Sunday evening, Jan. 28, at the Tabor Grand Opera House, Denver. Criticized in the *Advertiser* as *weak*, Miss Roberts denied when approached by a Billboard representative, that the new play was taken from the book "1," which created so great a stir in the east.

Pauline is the principal character in *The Strength of the Weak*. She is a young woman with a past. She writes a book in order to repay an unscrupulous guardian who has provided for her education. Then as she is about to be married it is discovered that her husband is the son of the guardian responsible for her downfall.

Miss Roberts has gathered around her a company of able actors, headed by Max Figman, the well-known comedian, under whose direction the play is produced. Others of note are James B. Wilson, Eugene Ormandy, Sophie McWayne, Lucine Henderson, and Gregory Rodger.

## THE TITLE MART

The *Title Mart*, Winston Churchill's first dramatic effort, will give its first performance at the Providence Opera House, Providence, R. I., before an enthusiastic audience. The social ambitions of a wealthy American mother to get her daughter married to a titled Englishman furnish the theme of the play. The cast:

Marquis of Tredbury ... Frank Gilmore  
Reginald Barking, M. P. ... Arthur Hare  
Mr. John Blackwell ... Sam Edwards  
Mr. Lawrence Peery ... Murray Carson  
Eliza ... Anna Lee  
Uncle Tom ... David W. Murray  
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James L. Kernan Reopens Baltimore Bijou

Manager Sigfried Makes Improvements Upon Decatur Theatre—Princess Trixie Breaks Record at San Jose—Nance O'Neil Coming East—William Harcourt Victim of Amusing Incident—News in General.

**N**ELLIE STEWART was greeted with a packed house at the handsome Majestic Theatre upon her opening date. The house was half full when she first came, but "oo-ee," and on Monday night they shouted and howled it until the star became an actual fact. The house was half American and half American. She being the first Australian actress to open out for the American public, Stewart's engagement is all the more interesting.

The report that W. E. Bishop had secured the management of Idora Park at Oakland is denied by the management. W. E. Bishop claims he will put on a comic opera company in the park theatre. Jas. Phillips continues to represent the owners of Idora Park.

Eddie Weston, known as Johnny Bay the second, joined hands with Nellie V. Nichols and Eddie Alton, and the two produced some very funny sketches at Fischer's Theatre.

Upon a return date within three weeks at the Victoria Theatre, San Jose, Cal., Barnes' audience here—Princess Trixie—broke records over twenty-five per cent. The act is booked for a return date at the Lycraum, "Frisco."

Manager Scott A. Palmer of the Pickwick Theatre, San Diego, is making here the rounds of the Empire's attractions and reports business good.

Edward Bailey and Grace Lockwood have been added to the new company at the Century Theatre, "Frisco." Bailey replaced Ralph Cunningham, who played heavier.

At the Orpheum the Eight Allisons made an emphatic hit in their acrobatic act. The Les Brumis also scored with their billiard table balancing feats.

The Unique's Life is a hit at the Alcazar, and Manager Price has utilized every possibility in giving it the proper presentation. It is a college farce, full of humor and catchy music. The author, Richard Walton Tully, has arranged with Liebler & Co. to produce it in New York.

Napa, Cal., is to have a new theatre seating 1,000 people. Wm. Wolf will run the house in conjunction with his Petaluma house. Sullivan & Condon will have Bert Daniels as manager, and the Kyrene is under the Unique's Theatre. The present manager of the Unique, Wm. Fark, will be retained as assistant manager, and the balance of the staff will remain unchanged. The Unique is a big hit.

The Empire Theatre is a perfect gold mine under the management of Col. Wm. Weston. Billy Weston's word is always good, which fact goes a long way toward the success of the Empire's business.

Yonson had an exceptionally good week at the Grand, though this is its tenth season in this city. "Way Down East," the first time at popular prices, followed with a good week.

The Yankee Consul drew large houses at the Columbia, and the house has been turned over to larger business. Woodland, with Harry Bulwer, a "Frisco favorite," followed with a box-office record.

Nance O'Neil is touring the coast in repertory. On Oct. 22 she will be at the Bijou, San Jose, and on Oct. 23 she will be at the Bijou, Sacramento, for a four days' engagement. She then jumps east.

Miss Blanche Morrison, better known as Blanche Hall, a member of the Burbank Stock Co., Los Angeles, was granted an interlocutory decree of divorce from her husband and now supports were the charges made. She and Louis Morrison in Boone, Ia., Oct. 19, 1895. Mr. Morrison did not defend the suit.

Miss Calver scored an emphatic hit at both concerts at the Alhambra where an overflowing house attested her popularity.

Exposition in San Francisco in 1913 has been introduced in the House of Representatives by Representative Kain. It calls for an appropriation of five million dollars, conditions upon the raising of a similar amount by the people of California. The bill also requires that the United States contribute \$500,000 building for government exhibits, which building will be sold to the city at the close of the exposition. All the buildings will be formally dedicated April 30, 1913, and formally opened May 1, to remain open during the many glorious exposition. On Sept. 25, the four hundred anniversary of the discovery of the Pacific Ocean, there will be a grand naval review in San Francisco Bay to which all nations will be invited to send war vessels.

—EURE COHEN.

**BALTIMORE, MD.**

Frank Daniels in Sargent Blue drew big houses to the Academy last week. Society and the forces and large theatre parties were a feature each evening.

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PERCY EWING.

## ENTERTAINED AT SCRANTON

Lee M. Hart, general secretary-treasurer of the Theatrical Stage Employees, was entertained at the home of Mrs. Lee M. Hart. The committee in charge of affairs was composed of President Chas. Colwell, Business Agent Jack Gillen and Financial Secretary Frank Mangon. While in Scranton Mr. Hart met G. H. Huntington, manager of the Star Theatre; J. Duff, manager of the Lyric and Academy of Music; Dan McCoy, manager of the Family Theatre, and many others.

## WILL DRAMATIZE DANIEL

In collaboration with Mr. Pendleton of Philadelphia Wright, London, has written a new Biblical play founded upon the story of Daniel. owing to the extra large amount of work necessary to stage such a piece the initial production will not be made before two years.

## LIONS ESCAPE FROM CAGE

During a rehearsal at the Majestic Theatre, Hot Springs, Ark., last week, the trained lions used in the act of Capt. Riccardo, the animal trainer, became furious and broke from the cage, fell with a crash almost at the feet of Miss De Wolfe. The incident created quite a comical situation and caused the police to call out for assistance.

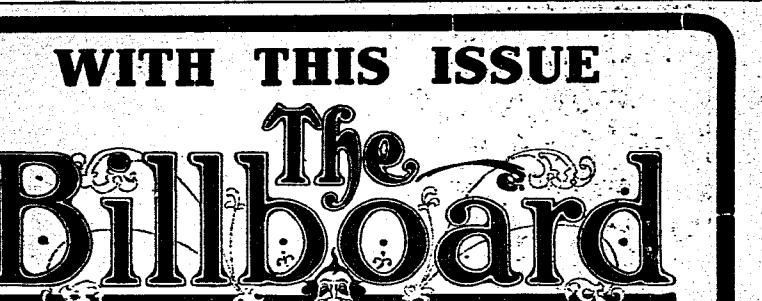
## NERO PRODUCED

Stephen Phillips' new play, entitled "Nero," was well received upon its premiere at His Majesty's Theatre, London, Eng., Jan. 25. Beering, the last seen in "Hamlet," made a brilliant and forcible appearance. The play was a masterpiece, crowded with scenes and ornaments, fell with a crash almost at the feet of Miss De Wolfe. The incident created quite a comical situation and caused the police to call out for assistance.

## GRAND CHANGES HANDS

The Grand Opera House in San Diego, Cal., has been purchased by Sullivan & Condon, who will immediate redecorate and refurbish it, and open it as a vaudeville house.

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### DECATUR, ILL.

Stella Tracy is making a hit in the part formerly played by Ethel Levey in the No. 1.

George Bryant, who was very successful in his engagement in New York City where she will shortly originate a part in a new play.

Violet Barney, formerly of the Davidson Stock Co., is now playing the part of the Queen of Hearts in "Alice in Wonderland."

John L. Sullivan is booked for an early appearance at the Bijou Theatre. The little theatre will make an immense business of late, and the S. R. O. sign is generally displayed.

Nettie Carroll, "queen of the wire," has signed with the Forepaugh-Sells Circus for next season after which she plays the Keiths. She is this winter with Supp's Indoor Circus.

Some changes have been made by Manager Sigfried at the Bijou. He has enlarged the stage by setting back the wings, and a new six-foot sliding door on the north side will be used as an emergency exit.

Otto Weaver, of the Gorham Brothers' Show, last season, now makes a big hit in the Indianapolis Ohio. He is the third to be given a feature each evening.

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## MUSIC

NEW YORK  
PUBLISHERS' NOTES

JANETTE ALLEN, late of the Duke of Marlborough Co., is putting a new act into vaudeville. She is featuring the well known waltz hit, *I Like Your Way*; also the oddly-named coon song, *Solong*. Mr. Jasper Long, An entirely new ballad is being written for her, entitled *After They Gather the Hay*.

Wm. O'Neill, the well-known Irish singer and comedian, had no sooner finished his act at the Lyric Theatre, than he was off to New York to work before Chas. Lawler and his daughter, headliners in vaudeville, secured the services of Mr. Bennett at the Pastore. Irene Lee is also featuring this song.

Dearie is being sung by the Four Musical Cutys', and Albertus and Jessie Miller. Let Me Write What I Never Dared to Tell, March On, Young America, by the Light of the Lampoon, Millie, Dearie, and Father Laid the Carpet on the Stairs are big hits.

## F. B. HAVILAND NOTES

Just a Little Rocking Chair and You is being sung successfully by Grace Leonard, Eddie Weston, Genevieve Homer and Joe McNatt.

Something, another big number, is being featured by Mr. McNatt, Pierce and Boslyn, Eddie Weston and Genevieve Homer.

When Music With His Nose Leads the Band is being featured by Dave Lewis & Co.

## HARRIS HITS

Harry Troy, tenor, of the Palace Theatre, London, is with the famous Rastus Co. creating a positive sensation with his rendition of Just One Cord of Consolation.

Diamond and Smith are still meeting with success in their singing of Sisters. They are great demand.

Fly Away, Birdie to Heaven, the baby song that has been so well received by Mr. Bennett, formerly of Bennett and Rich, with the Trans-Atlantics Co.

## SOL BLOOM NOTES

I've Such a Funny Feeling When I Look at You is being featured by Kelley and Landell, the Mallory Brothers and Carver and Pollard.

The Matador, Wm. H. Penn's new characteristic march is a hit with Mallory Brothers and with Adelina Bottine.

Get Happy, Come Back and Good-by Dixie Dear are also big Bloom hits.

## HELY &amp; HAGER NOTES

John Baxter, of the Verna May Stock Co., writes that I'll Be Waiting in the Gleaming Sweet Genevieve, and Some One Thinks of Some One are the two best songs in his repertoire. The latter song is also being featured by Madeline Burdette, Chris Whalen, and Mitchell and Warren.

## GUS EDWARDS MUSIC PUB. CO.

A Girl Like You Loved a Boy Like Me, Somebody's Sweetheart I Want to Be, In a Little Canoe With You, When the Green Leaves Turn to Gold, Pocahontas and the greatest child song, Two Dirty Little Hands, all published by the House of Edwards, are being sung by William Edwards, Helen Edwards, Nellie Edwards, Louise Dresser, Pauline Hall, Louise Auber, Morris Parkes, Mrs. Sydney Grant, James F. Macdonald, George Mack, Sammy Brown, Farrell-Taylor, Mac Curtis, Nettie Vesta, George May, Madan, Katherine Dell, Ruth Parsons, Mr. and Mrs. Allison, Julie Alkinson and Watson and Morrissey.

## TIMELY WITMARK TOPICS

On the Rocky Road to Dublin, written by Billie R. Ephram for Barney Gilmore, promises to be popular.

I Love You All the Time and The Prettiest Girl in Romeo, two leading numbers, are being featured by The Dorans.

In My Merry Oldsmobile and Why Don't You Quit, Quits have been added to Bernard Edmund's repertoire.

Don Clinton is pleasing his audiences with the last named song in addition to Cupid is the Captain of the Army and Graft, Graft, Graft.

## MUSIC RECEIVED

Where the Waters of the Blue Potomac Flow, words, Minnie H. Lindeman, music by Louis J. Dittmar, published by Lindeman & Dittmar, Jersey City, N. J.

## CLEVELAND, O.

On Thursday evening Eleanor Robson will play for the first time on any stage The Girl Who Has Everything by Clyde Fitch.

Mr. Fitch and Geo. C. Tyler have been directing this week, and from what I understand the play is to be a literary review. I venture to say that Miss Robson will be one notch higher in the stellar circle after Thursday night. Miss Robson opened Monday night to the best opening night's business or her three engagements here.

A. Torrey, Wm. has written more publicity for Miss Robson and The Girl Who Has Everything than has been received by any other star or play appearing here this season. Deserves something no city editor will turningly so, for his writings are to be classed as

Wangan Glaser, "the matinee idol" of Cleveland, returned this week at the head of his own company in Rosemary. He will give two extra matinee performances this week. On Monday evening there were only four seats left to buy, and the matinee was sold out. Mr. Smith, manager of Mr. Glaser's men, says the Shuberts will star Mr. Glaser in Old Hidelberg for the balance of the season.

W. B. Lawrence, formerly manager of the Lyric Theatre, this city, is back in town with his own show, Behind the Mask, which re-

ceived its premiere in Detroit a few weeks ago. The show is moderately good, and goes with a swing that is truly refreshing.

The Globe of Death at Keith's this week has lost none of its thrilling qualities, for every revolution made by Mr. and Mrs. Stone you can feel a tightening of your hearts strings.

PAUL C. MOONEY.

## MUSICAL

Hans S. Linne, musical director of the It Happened in Nordan Co., has been done a great injustice by a paragraph which, originating, it is said, with the New York World, has been going the rounds of the press. His many friends pronounce the report a tissue of falsehood. Mind you, the circulation of the Billboard, written before the column printed a brief summary of the rumor. We were misinformed. It turns out that there was little, if any, basis of fact for it. Mrs. Linne has applied for alimony, and the good and decent Mr. Linne is already treating her liberally in this respect. The whole story was mendacious and false in the extreme, and we have great pleasure in refuting it and setting Mr. Linne right.

## JOSH DREANO



The comic opera company which recently opened at the Hotschke Theatre, formerly the Casino, Los Angeles, Cal., consists of the following singers: Lottie Kendall, William Herman West, Leo Addie, Robert Pittman, Lyman Wheeler, Lucile del Val and Berice Holmes. The company will produce *Wanda, Foxy Queen* and *The Highwaysman*. The latter is the Carmenita and the former the Star at the Star with the Utopians.

After many reports pro and con regarding the booking of a new show, Mr. Hartigan, general manager of the Utopians, has just signed a twenty-five week contract over the Sullivan and Conidine Circuit, over the entire Bell Circuit, of now filling a fifteen weeks' engagement on the Empire Circuit, and of being booked solid until March. Mr. Dreano is well known from the Atlantic to the Pacific. In 1901 he was with the Field's Minstrels; in 1901 with the Heart of Chicago; in 1902 with the Utopians; in 1903 with the John G. Widows; in 1904 with the Utopians; in 1905 with the Utopians; in 1906 with the Utopians. His act is original and contains many bright features. His dancing always brings lots of applause, being full of trick steps and surprises.

Allen Ballou, who has been musical director of the Gaely Theatre, Springfield, Mass., has resigned his position and has given full detailed plans and specifications.

The seating capacity will be 5,000. The stage will be 100 feet deep and 150 feet wide; the proscenium arch 45 feet high and 80 feet wide. The Utopians will be housed in the basement, and there will be quarters for 58 horses and large stables for elephants, camels and other animals to be employed in the production of big spectacles.

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## Broadway : Topics

New York Office, 1440 Broadway.

By WALTER K. HILL.

## TONY PASTOR'S EMPLOYEES

LAST week William Morris added two more theatres to his booking list. They were Wilmer & Vinton's vaudeville theatre in Wilkes-Barre and Allentown, Pa. The steadily increasing prestige of the William Morris agency is one of the wonders of modern vaudeville developments.

Joseph Hart has launched a new headliner in vaudeville, the son of Clegg Craven, a monologist of unique and original worth, who is using a routine of "patter" which Mr. Hart has written for him. Newspapers where Mr. Craven has appeared voice him a decided acquisition to vaudeville. Score another for clever "Joe" Hart.

Dan S. Fishell is headed New Yorkward, for the purpose of taking up his duties, for another season, as press agent "back with the family." The Circus Train has been issued for March 12, which gives a fine opening date at the Madison Square Garden as far from April 1.

The Renz-Santley Co. at The Dewey last week, gave the best show of the season. Great prosperity has attended the company, and Manager Abe Leavitt is likely to thereby add materially to the fortune he has made in his enterprise in maintaining the Renz-Santley Show, the name of its class. Leo. Leavitt is still the efficient, astute business manager in charge of the show. Charles Frohman's play bureau, which opened last week under the direction of Edward E. Rose, is to close up, as it is good will and privilege have been disposed of to play brokerage firm of Sanger & Jordan, with offices in the Empire Theatre building.

Fred J. Murphy, of the Great Murray Shows, was a visitor to the New York Office of The Billboard Thursday morning.

George M. Cohan has this to say: "All you've got to do is to keep working day and night, thinking, hustling and scheming and study and you'll be back."

The Little Gray Lady is now at the Garrick Theatre, will move to the Majestic Feb. 12, where it will continue its New York run, interceded by bookings at the Garrick. Mr. Larson, who is playing an important part in "The Play Girl," will make his debut in New York next fall as a star in a new Western drama, "A Romance of Bright Angel Trail," of which he is the author. The scenes in the play are laid near Mr. Larson's home in the mountains of Arizona.

Joe Sadler has been lent by Klaw & Erlanger to Henry W. Savage for the role of Mrs. Sybil Swarts in "The Galloper."

Audrey Summerville, who has been prominent in the career of the "Lone Girl" since its inception, retires at the end of the year. Channing Pollock's successful play, "The Little Gray Lady" and her dramatization of In David Bishop's Carriage, have resulted in David Bishop's contact with him for a new play, which will probably be produced next autumn. Mr. Pollock's latest play, "The Secret Orchard," will be produced by the Shubert Brothers early next spring.

W. H. Thompson, who is now on the road in "The Black Sheep," received from England several relics of the late Sir Henry Irving, including a gold cross and chain fashioned in the time of the fourteenth century and worn by the late actor in the roles of Becket and Wolsey. His son, Harry, relates at the recent sale of Sir Henry's effects.

The engagement of Ethel Barrymore in "All-Sit-By-The-Fire" at the Criterion Theatre, has been extended and William Gillette, who was to have appeared there soon in his new play, Clarke, will not be seen in New York for some time.

Kellar, the magician, will be the attraction at the Majestic for the week of Feb. 5. Then the Little Gray Lady moves up from the Garrick to open Feb. 12 for a run.

Blanche Walsh will play a week's engagement at the Grand Opera House, opening Monday, Feb. 5. "The Woman in the Case."

The Garrick will have stock company starting Feb. 12. Charles Eichman will be the leading man and Grace Fulkins the leading woman. Gallopus will be the opening bill, to run as long as it pays, and will be followed by What the Devil?

The Theatrical Artists' Society is a new local organization. Will Gregory has been chosen as the first president. James J. Armstrong, vice-president; Webster Cullison, secretary and treasurer. The board of directors includes James J. Armstrong, Bernard, and Stevenin E. Inc., Wales Winter, and Webster Cullison.

W. H. Thompson, now on tour in The Ringers, will begin an engagement at the Princess Theatre, Feb. 12. Henry Miller, who was to have produced "The Indiscretion of Truth" at the Princess on that date, will present the play in Washington and later bring it to Broadway.

## ELANEY'S UNIQUE SCHEME

From May 21 to June 2, next, probably at the American Theatre, Charles E. Elaney will hold what may properly be called a carnival of melodrama. During the fortnight he will have a matinee and night performance every day, dancing around the bill every day and presenting his own road companies in his own melodramas. Each one of the twelve plays that are at present touring the United States will be presented for a matinee and night performance by the companies now offering them on tour.

Mr. Elaney's attractions that will appear are Little Williams in "My Tom-Boy Girl," Fluke O'Hara in "The Millionaire Detective," Harry Clay Blaney in "The Boy Behind the Gun," E. Jerome Mora in "The Curse of Drink," Across the Pacific, "The Actress," "The Devil and Miss Jones," and "The King of the Wind."

Albert D. Durant, manager of Roselle in "When Knighthood Was in Flower," reported very heavy business throughout Mon., Washington, Oregon and British Columbia. Several record were broken, and no performance netted less than \$450.

Becoming dissatisfied with his present troupe, T. C. Corson, Clarke canceled his time and started a new road company. He has just returned from an extended tour of the Western Vaudeville Circuits. Table Stark is a child of remarkable talent, and will make a name for herself in her chosen profession.

Disch's Pavilion Theatre, which is in winter quarters at Kenosha, Wis., is owned

Hurtig & Seaman's—Eliza Proctor Otis in "Kid-Gloved Nan," Reno and Richards, Lew Hawkins, Wynne, Winslow and the Four Elivins.

Keith's—Henry Lee, Houdini, the "Handcuff King"; the Three Sisters Macarte, Katharine Bigood, the Valence Brothers, and Lillian Shaw.

Proctor's Fifty-eighth Street—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fitzsimmons in "A Fight For Love"; Mahon's Watermelon Girls, Nick Long and Idelle, Cottrell, Rice, Potts, and the Cottrells of Chesterfield, and the New York Newsboys Quartet.

Proctor's Twenty-third Street—Cherdah Simpson, Rice and Prevost, Maggie Cline, Robert Cottrell, the great Hippodrome equestrians; Omar Suleiman, the Jackson Family of cyclists, and the Alabama Society.

## W. P. CRESWELL



The great lariat twirler and cyclist, known professionally as Bicycle Bill.

## WILL DEFEND THEIR RIGHTS

There is promise of some lively times in the eastern section of the country during the spring and summer, through the determination of Wm. A. Brady and Edward B. Grossman to defend their territorial rights in the presentation of Hale's Tours and Scenes of the World. They have a fine organization, from the Hale Corporation, the exclusive college of the new scenic display, and are preparing to give battle to anyone who may tread upon their territorial toes. New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New Jersey, and the District of Columbia are the states controlled by Brady & Grossman; and they inform me that they will defend their rights in conducting this proposed campaign of defense, and will be backed by the company which will furnish all the fighting money and the legal advice to direct its expenditure, under an agreement which Brady & Grossman have entered into with them. The Brady & Grossman investment is large, however, and their plans include the erection of structures at Brighton Beach, and at all the leading coast resorts and summer amusement parks within their territory. Hale's Tours and Scenes of the World, of course, need no features for the entertainment of summer amusement seekers and in anticipation of the customary number of imitations which invariably follow in the wake of a successful novelty, Brady & Grossman are determined to fight any number of legal battles to maintain their rights in their own territory.

## SOME VAUDEVILLE FEATURES

There is the usual abundance of good vaudeville promised for the week of Feb. 5 at our music halls and theatres. Here are the principal features at some of the resorts:

Albany—Virginia, Carl, Foy, and Clarke, Stanly and Biceck, The Great Florence, Tradition of Acrobats, Dorothy Kenton, "The Girl With the Banjo," and Harry B. Lester.

Colonial—Henri DeVries, In a Case of Arson, W. H. Thompson, and the Nichols, Banville, Lucille Saunders, and the Nichols, Bartsch-Hammerstein's—Arthur Prince, Almee Angeles in songs and dances; Simon and Gardner in The New Coachman, The Five Belles and Gardner in The New Coachman, The Five Belles and Gardner in The New Coachman.

Higher—Josephine Corbin, the four-legged woman; Norman Green, the human skeleton; Balbrone, the volcano, and Beatrice May and her ladder of swords.

## TOBIE STARK



Miss Caroline Kelley MacCord, who for the past three seasons has been quite successful in comic opera and musical comedy, having many original parts in "The Girl of the Honeymoon," "The Man From China" and the original production of "Buster Brown," has decided to enter vaudeville. She has secured a sketch in "Frank" Lanham, son of the Texas governor, with Paul Gilmore, and is making quite a favorable impression throughout the southwest.

Leo and Monroe have "closed" a six week's engagement over the Interstate Circuit, and are resting with friends in St. Louis.

Henry Hardell, late of the Hardell Brothers, aerial bar performers, has joined the Ellett Troupe of comedy bar aerialists.

Wm. F. Scheller was last week called to his home in Green Bay, Wis., because of the serious illness of his mother.

Fleming and Miller are in their seventh week of success on the Sullivan & Coonside Circuit playing eastward.

Sullivan and Murphy are making a hit with their singing and dancing act, through the New England States.

George Edwardes has completed arrangements to bring his entire Gayety Co. to New York in September.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Carroll are pleased with their success over the Ammons Circuit in Indiana.

Albert Dashington, comedian, is in his tenth week of success with the Cradoc-Neville Co.

Jerome Mora has discovered some new tricks in magic, and will frame an act to get to New York next week.

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Charles E. Conway, of the Telephone Girl Co., now being reorganized in Chicago, was a caller at our offices last Wednesday.

The Telephone Girl was compelled to close at Clinton, Ia., Jan. 27, Edward Eagle-

ton, the leading man, supporting Eula Young, being stricken with brain trouble necessitating his removal to Chicago where he is now under care of physicians at the residence of Tom Cameron of the LaSalle Theatre Stock Co. The Telephone Girl will resume its tour in the near future. Eagleton's condition is serious and grave fears of his recovery are entertained.

WALDMANN IN CHICAGO

Negotiations are now under way, it is said, to convert the International vaudeville theatre into a musical comedy house, where pieces of the old type offered at the theatre will be made. It should be said that the International Theatre Co. has not taken first steps, but that outsiders have offered to lease the playhouse from the vaudeville organization.

INTERNATIONAL RUMOR

The Banker's Daughter was capably presented by the Player's Stock Co. at the Colonial Theatre.

Why Girls Leave Home, a melodrama which has succeeded in creating a sensation elsewhere, played to crowded houses at the Bijou Theatre last week.

Low Nichols writes of great success in the new "The Merchant of Venice."

EDWARD DALY LEAVES

Daly Lewis is going into vaudeville.

His Chicago friends are interested in the "Sleek-Flats Shows."

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This big program shows how thoroughly these two great men have trained these animals, for the whole performance takes less than fifteen minutes. They have twenty bears in reserve which are being trained and will be seen at some future date.

## WINTERING IN KANSAS CITY

Though the Van Amburg and the Sells-Downs shows are not wintering in Kansas City, there is a large number of circus people spending the winter in the Missouri metropolis. Among them are Mr. and Mrs. John G. Fletcher, of the Van Amburg Show; Lee Gandy and wife, C. C. Fletcher, J. C. Marsh and Senator McDonald, of the Campbell Brothers Show; The Marretta Sisters, Rose, Edna and Irene, and Zelleno, the Mystic of the Robinsons; Bert Scott and the Mystery of the J. C. Marsh Show; Dick Shillinger, of the C. C. Fletcher Show; Jack Dowley and George Siebert, of the Sells-Downs Show; Joe Lanes and Joe Boble, of the Lemon Brothers Show; Ethel Glasscock, of the Glasscock Show; The Callaways, of the Newell Show; Chas. Higginson, of the Wallace Show; J. J. Devlinney, of the Forepaugh-Sells Show, and Frank and Lena Brown, of the F. W. Hall Show.

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Lon. B. Williams, press agent for a number of years with the Gentry Brothers' Show, will be general agent of the No. 1 Gentry Show this season. The new position is a deserved promotion for Mr. Williams, and an excellent opportunity is sure to reward his services hand ahead of the show. At present Mr. Williams is doing press work for a big New York success, but he will leave the metropolis in a few weeks, as the Gentry Shows open early this year in the south.

## CIRCUS GOSSIP

The St. Leon Family of acrobats and equestrians have had their engagement with the Pabst Shows in Cuba extended six weeks, making their entire engagement sixteen weeks. They write that Elsie St. Leon is the best kept secret in the sides that has visited Cuba. The Pabst Shows are having a big success. The St. Leon's will be with the Wallace Show again this season.

Geo. W. Rollins has purchased a number of ostriches, a leopard, two lions, four hyenas and a small elephant, which are being trained at the winter quarters in Jacksonville, Fla. W. H. McGeary has been engaged as assistant manager and Edwin Wilson as principal animal trainer. Mme. Alida, Mrs. Wilson, J. F. Perry and Lieut. Meade will complete the roster.

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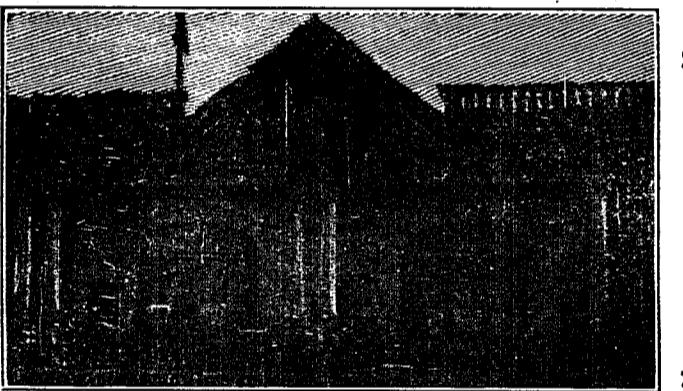
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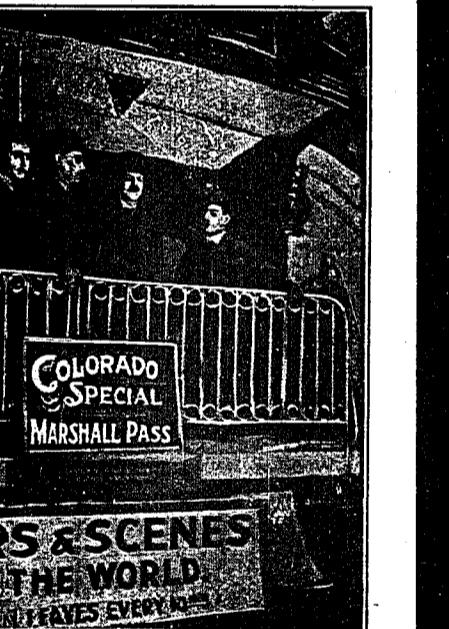


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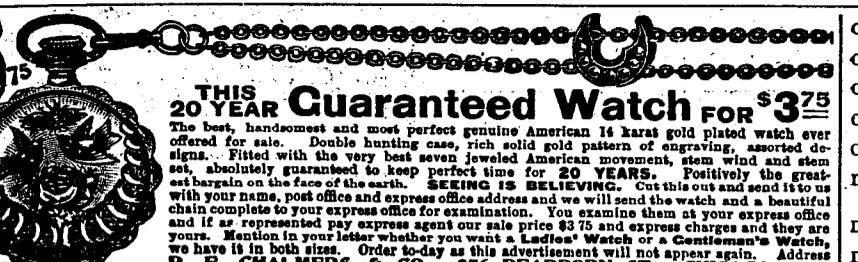
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Earle Sisters (Imperial): Leadville, Col., 5-10; (Crystal) Salida 12-17. Earl, Virginia (Alhambra): New York City, 5-10. Freydo Bros. (Orpheum): Minneapolis, Minn., 5-10. Ferguson & Watson (People's): Cincinnati, O., 5-10. Hall's Dogs (O. H.): Columbus, Ind., 5-17. Howard, Annie (Palm Garden): Syracuse, N. Y., 8-Feb. 17. Hawkins, Lew (Hurtig & Seaman's): New York City, 5-10. Jenkins, Elmer (O'Hara): Shenandoah, Pa., 5-10. Jones, Morris (Family): Sioux City, Ia., 5-10. Jenkins, The (Bijou): Brandon, Man., 5-10. Woodward, V. P. (Family): Carbonado, Pa., 5-10. West, Ford & Dot (Proctor's): Newark, N. J., 5-10. Wormwood's Antimal Show (Family): Lancaster, Pa., 5-10. Kunkel's (Kunkel's) (Haymarket): Chicago, Ill., 5-10. West, John A. (Folly): Chicago, Ill., 5-10. Lewis & Harr (Bijou): Wheeling, W. Va., 5-10. Yerrick & Lalonda (Haymarket): San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 29, Indef.

Laemmle Sisters (Bijou): Danville, Ill., 5-10. Lewis, Alice (People's): Cedar Rapids, Ia., 5-10. Young, Ollie & Brother (Orrin Bros.): Mexico City, Mex., Indef.

Lawrence, Al. (Orpheum): New Orleans, La., 5-10. Yolles, Six (International): Chicago, Ill., 5-10. Young (Standard): Cincinnati, O., 5-10. Yerrick, Joseph & Co. (Family): Pottsville, Pa., 5-10. (Family): Hazelton 12-17. Zeno, Jordan & Zeno Troupe (Fillis' Circus): Capo Town, S. A., Dec. 23-Mar. 31. Marrott Twins (Family): Pottstown, Pa., 5-10. Zimmerman, Al. & Pearl (Gem): Superior, Wis., Indef.

Zanzibar, The (Keith's): Cleveland, O., 5-17. Zarelli, Joe (Gem): Lynn, Mass., 5-10. Zingari Trio (Colonial): Lawrence, Mass., 5-10; (Orpheum): New York, N. Y., 12-17. Zanoni, Joe (Bijou): San Francisco, Cal., 5-10; (Orpheum): Los Angeles 12-17. Zimmerman, Willy (Shea's): Toronto, Ont., 5-10; (G. O. H.): Indianapolis, Ind., 12-17. Zepke, The Great (Bijou): Wheeling, W. Va., 5-10. Mathews & Manning (Orpheum): New Orleans, La., 5-10. Zellens, The Mystic (National): Kansas City, Mo., 5-17. Zinner, John (G. O. H.): Indianapolis, Ind., 5-10. Zimmers, Cincinnati, O., 12-17. Zoellers, Sensational Three (Family): Shamokin, Pa., 5-10. Nelson, Lizzie N. (Orpheum): New Orleans, La., 5-10. O'Laughlin, Major (Star): Muncie, Ind., 5-10. Orpheum Comedy Four (Howard): Boston, Mass., 5-10; (Keith's): Boston 12-17. O'Neill (People's): Cincinnati, O., 5-10. Ross, Eliza Proctor (Hurtig & Seaman's): New York, N. Y., 12-17. Peletier, Dora (Keith's): Providence, R. I., 5-10; (Keith's): New York City, 12-17. Queen & Ross (Star): Atchison, Kan., 5-10. Reilly & Wood's (Fay, Reilly): St. Paul, Minn., 6-10; Minneapolis 12-17. Philo Comedy Quartet (Star): Seattle, Wash., 5-10; (Grand): Tacoma 12-17. Rialto (The Crystal): Milwaukee, Wis., 5-10. Russell & St. Clair (Majestic): San Antonio, Tex., 5-10. Reno & Richards (Hurtig & Seaman's): New York City, 3-10. Reyer, Theresa (Keith's): New York City, 5-10. Reiner, Helen (Keith's): New York City, 5-10. Silverton-Oliver Trio (Lyric): Cleveland, O., 6-10. Adams & Swinburn (People's): Cincinnati, O., 5-10. Bates & Ernest (Bijou): Decatur, Ill., 12-17. Bodell-Herbert Trio (Olympic): South Bend, Ind., 12-17. Bodell-Herbert Trio (Olympic): South Bend, Ind., 12-17. Bowery Boys' Quartet (Gatsby): Albany, N. Y., 5-10; (Royal): Troy 12-17. Bristol's Pontes (Doric): Yonkers, N. Y., 5-10. Bell, Arthur (Orpheum): Springfield, O., 5-10; (Orpheum): Portsmouth 12-17. Bernstein, The (Xat's): Kansas City, Mo., 5-10. Burke, Al. (Howard): Boston, Mass., 5-10. Bogert, Little (Olympic): Springfield, Ill., 5-10. Boyle & McCarthy (Hurtig & Seaman's): New York City, 5-10. Bloodgood, Katherine (Keith's): New York City, 5-10. Borden & Scott (People's): Cincinnati, O., 5-10. Borden, Four (Colonial): New York City, 5-10. Caffery & Grant: Cleveland, O., 5-10. Cohan, Boyd & Co. (Family): Scranton, Pa., 5-10; (Standard): Boston, Mass., 12-17. Crotty Trio (Crystal): Denver, Col., 5-10. Cinequevali (Colonial): New York City, 5-10. Chester's Dogs (Orpheum): Minneapolis, Minn., 5-10. Chick, Helen (Bijou): Evansville, Ind., 5-10. Carmencita & Aurora (People's): Cincinnati, O., 5-10. Demone & Belle (Family): Shamokin, Pa., 5-10; (Family): Mahanoy City, 12-17. Dogram's Dogs & Monkeys (Imperial): Oregon, Utah, 5-10; (Grand): Pocatello, Ida., 12-17. Broadway Safety Girls: James H. Curtis, mgr., St. Louis, Mo., 5-10; Indianapolis, Ind., 12-17. DeMolay & DeMeade: On route with Graham's Vaudeville Co. See Vaudeville Combination Routes.

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Queen Zevon, Gypsy Camp: Chattanooga, Tenn., 22-Feb. 15.

Russell, Magician: Frederick, Md., 14.

Shepard's Moving Pictures (A-14th St. Theatre): New York, Indef.

Shepard's Moving Pictures (B-West End Theatre): New York City, Indef.

Shepard's Moving Pictures (C-Majestic Theatre): Brooklyn, N. Y., Indef.

Shepard's Moving Pictures (D-3d Ave. Theatre): New York City, Indef.

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Shepard's Moving Pictures (F): Lawrence, Mass., Indef.

Shepard's Moving Pictures (G): Fall River, Mass., Indef.

Shepard's Moving Pictures (H): Atlantic City, N. J., Indef.

Shepard's Moving Pictures (I): Troy, N. Y., Indef.

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Steltzer Bros.' Moving Pictures: Middleboro, Ky., 5-10.



## NEW PARK FOR RICHMOND

Jake Wells, who controls a chain of theatres extending from Norfolk, Va., to New Orleans, is branching out into the outdoor amusement business. He has already acquired Ponce de Leon Park, Atlanta; Ocean View Park, Fort Myers, Fla.; Lake Park, Birmingham, and Electric Park, Montgomery. His latest acquisition is Reservoir Park at Richmond, Va. Mr. Wells proposes to rebuild the resort and to make it second to none in the country.

The construction plan is very elaborate. The main entrance to Reservoir Park will be 180 feet wide and towers on each side will have a height of eighty feet. Several thousand electric lights will illuminate it. Inside the resort will be every kind of amusement device. Jake Wells' intention is to cater to the best element of patronage.

In addition to the regular features, a summer theatre will be operated in each resort where will be produced vaudeville, musical comedy and operas. Attractions booked for one resort will play the entire circuit.

## WANTS BEACH FRONT

It is reported that a syndicate is being organized in Pittsburgh, Pa., to purchase two entire squares of land fronting on the Boardwalk in Atlantic City. Negotiations are now on with Atlantic City workers who are finding it exceedingly difficult to get their hands on any part of the area embraced in the well-known amusement resort.

The promoters will not divulge their plans regarding partakers of the new amusement device, but it is said that one of the attractions will occupy a structure nearly a square in length.

## NEW PARK FOR WATERBURY

Work has begun upon a new park at Lake Quassapog, near Waterbury, Conn. The resort will be similar to White City in New Haven. It will include a roller skating rink, amusement devices. It will be managed by Chris Strobel. The park will begin operation after the completion of the new trolley road, and the opening may be deferred until August.

## LEASE TWO PARKS

The Jefferson Amusement Co. has leased Mitchell and Highland parks near Puxentawney, Pa., and will put them in good shape before the season opens. New features will be added, it being the plans of the new lessees to make each park as good as any in the country.

## PARK NOTES

Rosen Heights White City, situated in a beautiful suburb of Ft. Worth, Tex., is a new resort that will open April 21. With the advantages of a six month's car service, five-cent fare, and a free gate admission, and a population of 125,000 to draw from, the new enterprise should prove a paying concern to the Rosen Heights Amusement Co. Jake Schwartz is general manager, and will have personal charge of the park, its activities and bookings. The park proper covers thirty-five acres of land, all beautifully laid out with walks and flower beds. There is under construction an elegant summer theatre seating 1,400 people, and will be seen the usual variety of international organizations obtainable at popular prices. There will also be a dancing pavilion, roller skating rink, miniature railway, figure eight, Ferris wheel, razzle daze, the Midnight Mystery of the "Yogi" and a large number of other features. The directors of the company are Sam Rosen, Harry Pearlstone, J. Gordon, C. M. Carb and Jake Schwartz. The Rosen Heights Land & Street Car Co. is behind these gentlemen.

## One of Francis Ferrari's Trained Wild Animal Acts.

The Chesapeake Land Improvement Co. of Philadelphia has purchased the property known as "Great Point," located between the Elk and Sassafras rivers in Cecil County, Maryland, and fronting on Chesapeake Bay. They will build a wharf, hotel and various amusements.

The Capital Beach Amusement Co. of Lincoln, Neb., has been incorporated, and stock is being sold at \$100 per share. The capital is \$100,000, and the stock is being sold at a first lien on all the lands and improvements of the company; they will be due in ten years, optional after three years, and are amply protected by sinking fund provisions. The stock will be fully paid, and non-transferable. It will be held by the company, and will be entitled to an annual gate pass. The stock is to be paid for in installments on call of Board of Directors as construction progresses. The promoters expect to open the gates to the public May 15.

William Sharp, who so successfully managed Ponds De Leon Park, Atlanta, Ga., the past three seasons, has been engaged to manage the new outdoor theatre at the new location of Geo. B. Thayer, Geo. Porter, W. C. Apple, J. Manning and W. O. McComis.

## STREET FAIR NOTES

The Brown Amusement Co. will open its third year on April 31 in Kentucky, and will then head for Pennsylvania. At the winter session of the stockholders' meeting, Mr. Thompson, president, A. H. Buckstaff, treasurer, A. H. Armstrong, E. Bignell, J. A. Buckstaff, Thos. Cochrane, J. C. Harpham and L. E. Wettling, board of directors, and Frank Parks, as manager, First Nat. Bank of Lincoln, trustee for bonds.

The Mystic Rapids of the Underworld is the name of a new and novel attraction that is being made by the Manhattan Construction Co. of New York City. The exterior of the building represents a beautiful mountain scene. The interior is a grotto, a cave of red water, which rushes in a seething whirlpool through a cave in a mountain side, through which the boat enters on its course, running now forty, fifty or eighty feet, then turning sharply to the right or left, and so on through the entire journey, the current being so strong that the boat is held in its place.

Frederick W. Thompson is expected to return from Europe about Feb. 15.

Bob Playlock, a well-known western actor who has been resting in Des Moines, Ia., has been engaged as leading man by Manager Gourley of the Mirror Theatre in that city, for the Mirror Stock Co.

A. J. Bodkin, manager of the Mammoth Old Georgia Co. reports good business in Iowa. The roster of the company is as follows: Sig. Pontella, manager, and J. E. Richmond, George and May Nichols, and Sissy Spears. Eva Brance, Harry Walters, May Nichols and Wilson Carter.

Scout Younger writes: Things are shaping up fine for the coming season. The

STREET FAIRS  
CARNIVALS.

## THE HECK AMUSEMENT CO.

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Roller skating is coming in again. It is growing in popularity every day. By spring we will amount to a carnival. Park managers will do well to prepare for it now. It is a mistake to rely on dancing pavilions until the epidemic strikes you with full force. Build the rink now. It will pay for itself in a single season. It is a grand money-making power. Drawing card that lasts not only all season, but three or four seasons.

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J. A. Darnaby writes: I wish to correct the false impression that might be gained through the advertising of people for Bagdad. There is only one Beautiful Bagdad Co., which will be a high-priced attraction, the title, production and paper being fully copyrighted and protected.

Frank Reed, who has been connected with Heck's Theatrical Exchange in Cincinnati for the past several months, is now looking after the booking department. He will go out in the spring as treasurer with The Heck Amusement Co.

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H. H. Tipps, manager of the Royal Amusement Co., and wife, are visiting the latter's parents in Champaign, Ill. Their daughter, Hazel, who is with them, will be placed in a boarding school.

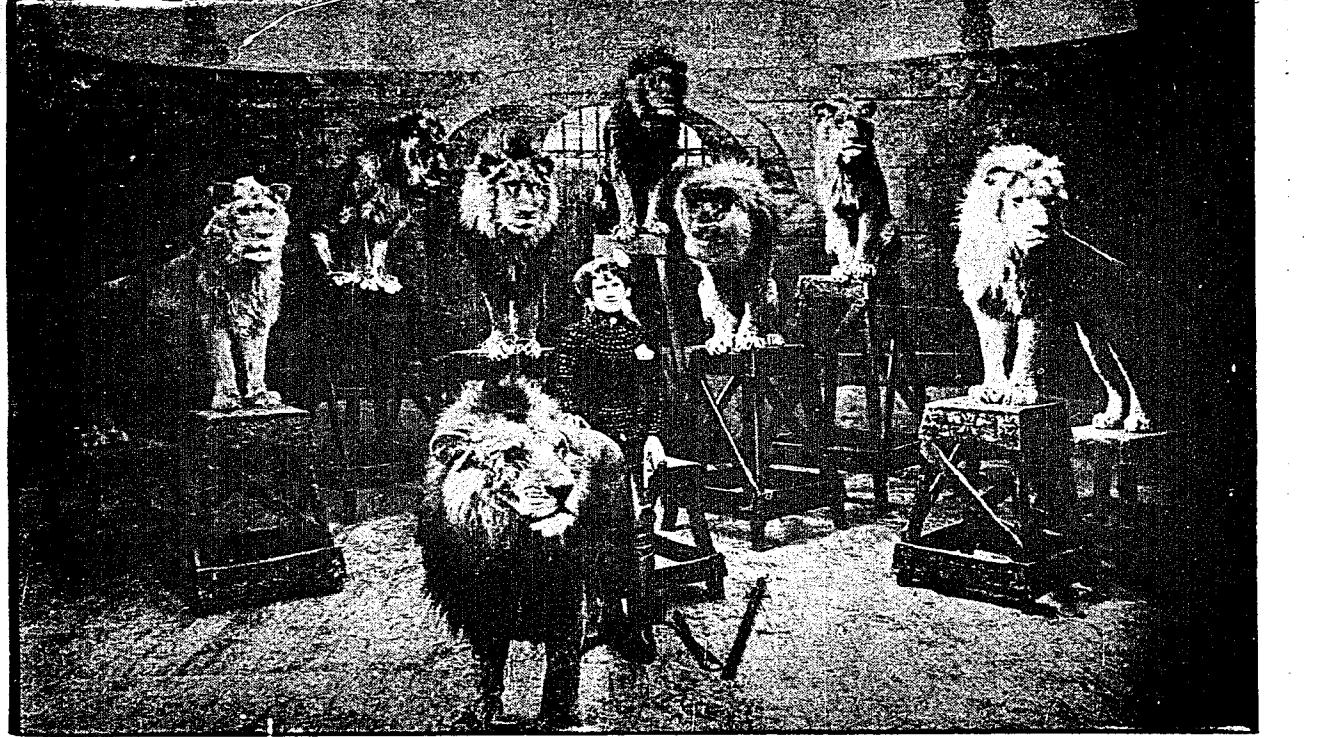
Fred. C. Baugman will furnish the band for the Pilbeam Bros. Amusement Enterprises which open about June 1. W. C. Gustine will have the merry-go-round privilege.

James M. Benson, for the past two seasons with the Greater Smith Amusement Co., has the privilege of being the manager of the entire park. It is to be the largest and most powerful drawing card that lasts not only all season, but three or four seasons.

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..FAIRS..  
EXPOSITIONS

## STATE FAIR OF TEXAS

At the twentieth annual meeting of the stockholders of the State Fair of Texas, recently held at Dallas, the entire board of directors and management were unanimously re-elected as follows: S. P. Cochran, J. C. Duke, R. A. Ferris, W. H. Gaston, C. A. Keating, E. J. Kiest, S. T. Morgan, C. A. Mangold, M. C. Phinney, Alex. Sanger, F. F. Slinkey, J. V. St. John, and A. W. Tamm.

Notwithstanding the fact there were four days of rainy weather out of the sixteen days of the fair, it was considered decided success in every respect.

The secretary's report was read and accepted by the stockholders, as follows:

## RECEIPTS.

Admissions	.....	\$ 93,908.65
Advertising	.....	89,929.00
Privileges and concessions	.....	89,872.26

## Receipts Fair Proper

.....	\$ 164,570.56
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## REBEOPISTS OTHER SOURCES

Bills Payable (borrowed money).....	\$ 10,000.00
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Receipts from last Fair.....	5,724.44
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## Total

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## Total Receipts all Sources

.....	180,295.00
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## DISBURSEMENTS

Disbursements Fair Proper.....	\$ 92,197.20
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## OTHER DISBURSEMENTS

Bills Payable (borrowed money).....	\$ 10,000.00
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Paid out on last Fair.....	1,170.07
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Improvement and Repair Account.....	24,177.03
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## Total

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## BALANCE on hand Jan. 6, '06.....

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The State Fair of Texas occupies a unique position in the history of fairs, and is probably without a parallel.

Under the Constitution of the State of Texas, no money can be appropriated for fairs, nor has this fair ever received a dollar outside of its own earnings. It has been kept up entirely by the citizens of Dallas.

The stock is owned by 1,000 citizens who recently transferred to the city of Dallas, comprising 117 acres of land, and who, in addition, donated to the city \$75,000 for the erection of an Auditorium and Exposition Building on these grounds, and entered into a contract with the city to give an annual fair for twenty years, and to pay their own private cost and expenses, agreeing to spend every dollar of their net earnings for the betterment of each succeeding fair and on the improvement of the grounds for fair and pleasure. No stockholder is to receive any dividends from his stock, and no officer connected with the fair, except the secretary, is to receive any compensation for his services. The stock subscribed is considered as a donation, and each share of \$25 entitles the subscriber to one free admission card to the grounds for ten years.

SYDNEY SMITH, Secy.

## FAIR NOTES

The Geron County Fair Association of Georgia has asked for a charter. The capital will be \$1,500, and the headquarters will be at Calhoun. Shares are being subscribed at \$10 each. O. S. Star is president and J. T. McVay is secretary. Others interested are G. W. Stewart, Neal Keeffe, J. A. Horton, J. L. Chapman, J. W. C. Roberts, M. Moss, S. M. Barrett, J. A. Strain, V. H. Hayes, W. T. Marshall, David Johnson, E. C. Anderson, J. M. Rev. Dr. F. M. Crutchfield, Rev. G. D. Stone, W. M. Trumpler, W. R. Davis, Mrs. Nellie Peter, Black, Miss Lulu Pitts, F. L. Hicks, W. S. King and J. C. Vance.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

The event of the week was the premiere production of Geo. M. Cohen's new musical comedy, "George Washington, Jr.", in which he himself is the bright particular star. That it was great success was proved by the splendid audience it attracted. It seems that Mr. Cohen has again written a play that will go with the people.

Although beautiful weather prevailed, business fell off a little in theatricals last week. Great preparations are being made for the production of His Majesty at the Walnut Street Theatre week 12.

Lieber & Co. have canceled all the dates of the Georgia State Fair held at Macon, Ga., in 1906. Six cities are dickered for the privilege.

Ed. R. Robinson, of fair and exposition fame, is doing some great press work ahead of Jno. L. Sullivan.

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Scotty of Death Valley was in the city last week. It is said that a play is being written for him.

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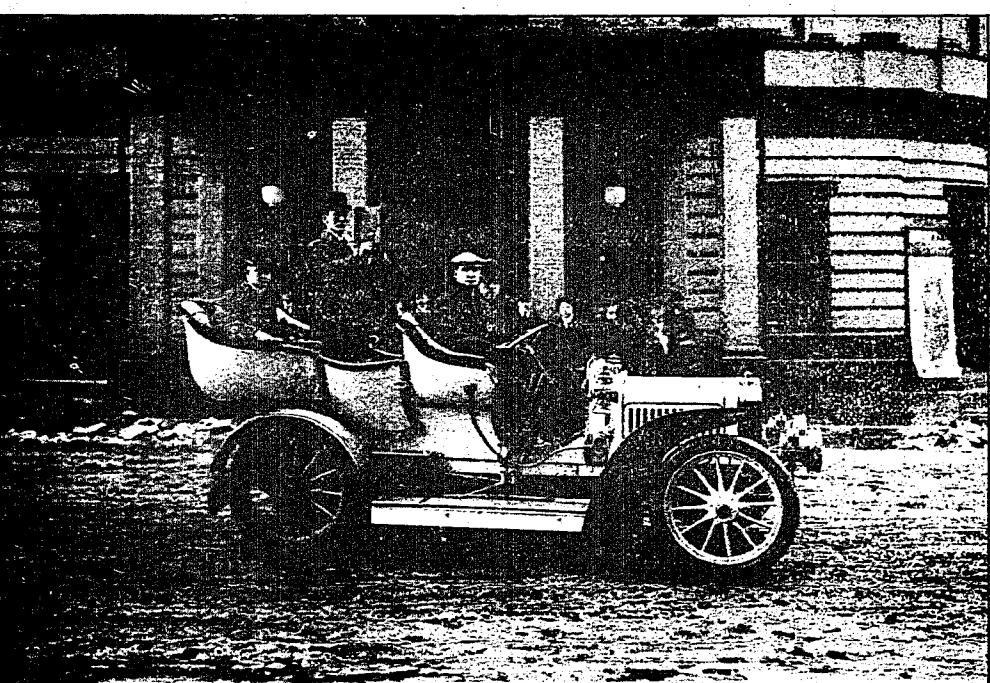
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## ..The Sightseeing Autos..

167 From Park Owners and Managers.  
92 From People who have Picture Concessions.  
209 General Inquiries from people in the Moving Picture business or who contemplate entering the field.

468

And in the entire list only three asked the question, Are you infringing? And they wrote, it had been suggested to them that we were doing so.

Read our Patent Attorney's letter to us and to you. We publish this letter for skeptical people.

We Take Care of You.

We Protect You.



Banning & Banning,  
Counselors at Law  
The Marquette Building

TELEPHONES

CHICAGO 227.

Mr. Charles W. Cessna,  
Manager, Sight-Seeing Auto's,  
Decatur, Illinois.

Dear Sir:-

Having made satisfactory arrangements with us, you may inform any one that we are your attorneys and counselors in reference to your Scenographic Apparatus business, and that we will represent you and defend you in any and all suits, if any, that may be brought for infringement of patents, against you or your customers, on account of your Sight Seeing Automobiles.

Yours very respectfully,

Banning & Banning.

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Frank McDonough, 211-212 McPhee bldg., Den-  
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Shaw, Bloomington, supt.; Chas. R. Adair,  
sec'y.  
Chautauqua—Chautauqua. July 10-Aug. 15. W.  
O. Paisley, Lincoln, Ill.  
Clinton—Chautauqua. Aug. 17-26. E. B. Bent-  
ley.  
Danville—Chautauqua. Aug. 17-Sept. 2. Rev.  
E. C. Carr.  
Dixon—Rock River Chautauqua. July 23-Aug.  
12. A. C. L. Erskine, Lee, Ill.  
Elgin—Chautauqua. Aug. 2-12. Geo. H. Glaz-  
ier, 9th Fifth ave., Chicago.  
Freeport—Chautauqua Assm. June 23-July 8.  
H. M. Holbrook.  
Hawthorne—Chautauqua. Aug. 9-19. R. R.  
Wallace.  
Lincoln—Chautauqua. Aug. 16-26. D. H. Hart.  
Jr.  
Litchfield—Chautauqua. July 27-Aug. 7. Jas.  
W. C. Brown, 1711 Lamont st., N. W., Wash-  
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Lithia—Chautauqua. Aug. 16-26. E. W.  
F. Holler, sec'y. E. H. Baldwin, program.  
Lithia Springs—Chautauqua. July 25-Aug. 14.  
E. J. L. Douthit, Lithia.  
Mechanics—Chautauqua. Aug. 16-26. E.  
J. B. Bulard.  
Monmouth—Chautauqua. Aug. 14-24. Dr. W.  
E. King and Rev. J. S. Tusey, Little  
York.  
Ottawa—Chautauqua. Aug. 14-26. Geo. M.  
Tremble.  
Pekin—Chautauqua. Aug. 3-12. W. L. Miller,  
Bloomington.  
Petersburg—Old Salem Chautauqua. Aug. 8-23.  
Rev. Geo. H. Turner, sec'y.  
Perry—Chautauqua. July 21-Aug. 5. A. C.  
Folsom.  
Quincy—Chautauqua. July 21-29. J. H. Howey,  
Kirkville, Mo., supt.; C. H. Williamson,  
program.  
Remond—Chautauqua. Aug. 18-Sept. 2. A.  
C. Folson.  
Sandwich—Chautauqua Assm. July 20-29. H.  
M. Holbrook.  
Sheberville—Chautauqua. July 29-Aug. 12. J.  
C. W. Lovell.  
Shelbyville—Chautauqua. July 13-22. H. M.  
Holbrook, Oak Park.  
Streator—Chautauqua. June 27-July 8. Jas.  
Speed, Bloomington, supt.; O. B. Bryn, sec'y.  
Sycamore—Chautauqua. Aug. 17-26. H. M.  
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Urbana—Two City Chautauqua. Aug. 17-26.  
Richard C. Hancey.

## INDIANA

Brooklyn—Chautauqua. July 19-Aug. 13. Rev.  
L. L. Carpenter, Wabash, Ind.  
Columbus—Chautauqua. Aug. 17-26. Chas. E.  
Cobey.  
Culver—Chautauqua. Aug. 1-31. H. G. Hill,  
St. Irvington, Indianapolis, Ind.  
Elkhart—Chautauqua. July 19-Aug. 29. Chas. L.  
Wagner, 207 Stetson Hall, Chicago, Ill.  
Jeffersonville—New Albany—Chautauqua. Aug.  
3-12. Prof. C. A. Prosser.  
Linton—Chautauqua. Aug. 24-Sept. 4. Geo.  
W. Cane, sec'y.  
Madison—Chautauqua. Aug. 11-26. J. V.  
Cravens, sec'y.  
Merion—Chautauqua. Aug. 17-30. J. J. Parker,  
M. D.  
Mt. Vernon—Chautauqua. Aug. 23-31. Ed-  
ward G. Banman.  
Remington—Fountain Park Assembly. Aug. 11-  
16. Robt. Parker.

Ridgway—Chautauqua. Aug. 24-Sept. 2. J.  
H. Shev, Bloomington, Ill., supt.  
Rome City—Chautauqua. July 25-Aug. 17.  
Rev. J. F. Snyder, LaGrange, Ind.

Terr. Haute—Chautauqua. July 22-Aug. 6.  
Rev. C. A. Cross, Chas. M. Curry, program.

Vincennes—Chautauqua. July 27-Aug. 12. Rev.  
E. C. Carr, Danville, Ill.

Winchester—Chautauqua. June 30-July 10. H.  
G. Hill, St. Irvington ave., Indianapolis, Ind.

Winnipeg—Lake Chautauqua. July 2-Aug. 18.  
Rev. S. Rose, D. D. Dickey, supt.

Zionsville—Chautauqua. Aug. 2-20. J. O.  
Hurst.

**IOWA**  
Albia—Chautauqua. Aug. 23-Sept. 1. Robt.  
R. Spencer, supt.; Ed. I. Ramsey, sec'y.

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S. Stinson.

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Evans, sec'y.

Centerville—Chautauqua. Aug. 17-26. J. M.  
Beck.

Charles City—Chautauqua. July 31-Aug. 11.  
C. A. Kent.

Chillicothe—Chautauqua. Aug. 8-17. William  
Orr.

Clear Lake—Chautauqua. July 20-Aug. 6. W.  
W. Carlson, Mason City, Ia.

Colfax—Chautauqua. Aug. 1-12. Emerson De-  
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Monk.

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Stillwagon, sec'y.

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Wichita—Chautauqua. June 18-28. M. B.  
Light.

KENTUCKY

Ashland—Chautauqua. June 28-July 8. J. G.  
Crabbe.

Bowling Green—Chautauqua. Mid September.

Dr. W. D. Davidson, 1711 Lamont st., N. W.,  
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*The Prince of India* is a dramatization by J. I. C. Clarke of General Lew Wallace's novel. Presented for the first time on any stage at the Colonial Theatre, Chicago, Feb. 5, 1906, by the following players.

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The Prince Mohammed ..... William Farnum  
The Empress ..... Gerald Lawrence  
Constantine ..... William Beach  
Gennadine ..... Sydney Herbert  
The Patriarch of Constantinople ..... W. H. Lyden  
Phoenix ..... Frank Andrews  
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The White Monk ..... Frank Royce  
Malik Khan, Governor of the White Castle ..... Lauren Rees  
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With one exception the critics and reviewers of the daily press in Chicago gave to *The Prince of India* its place in the discussion as a masterpiece of dramatic construction, and by far the most splendid and imposing spectacular creation ever revealed in a stage undertaking. James O'Donnell Bennett, of the *Record*, said: "The scenes, with the superb richness and wonderful detail of equipment and inventories on the ground that all served to obscure the narrative and the dramatic value of the play."

Brief excerpts from the reviews of other critics and the impression the initial performance made on the audience.

Mr. L. Hubbard, The Tribune: "The Prince of India is truly splendid as a production—smooth, flowing dialogue, several speeches of dramatic power and occasionally of poetic beauty and all the scenic splendor and costumes could find no parallel in any other production. The setting and beauties have been supplied. Certain of the mass scenes employ several hundred supernumeraries and are excellent. The setting supplied is truly lavish. . . . The last act, the interior of St. Sophia, is a marvel in stage perspective and architectural arrangement."

### A DRAMATIC TRIUMPH

I. D. McAdie, The Chronicle: "To those who have read General Lew Wallace's masterful romantic creation, *The Prince of India*, the dramatization given for the first time on any stage in the Colonial Theatre last evening must be regarded as one of the triumphs of modern dramatic construction. It may be safe to say that the production is one of the most notable given in recent years. Scenically it is a triumph of stage craft, and the company presenting it is one of the strongest appearing. One of the most brilliant features is the popular caption of 'all-star cast.' It is easily one of the most important dramatic offerings in the history of the stage, and makes an epoch in Chicago as a theatrical production center."

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Hal Newton Carlyle, The Examiner: "To everyone who contributes his earnest effort to the betterment of the drama, to the presentation of the purest plays, to the truest and most noble of the endings in history, a mead of praise is always due. Therefore, to J. I. C. Clarke, for his beautiful version of the novel; to Klaw & Erlanger for the large expansion of the scenes, costumes, and effects; to Brooks Atkinson, the stage director, and to the cast, every man, whose praise is due for the very excellent performance at the Colonial of the spectacle entitled *The Prince of India*. Much can be said in praise of the music, and the scenes are costly and magnificently produced. The two scenes to give the play a wide appeal."

Success attends the production of *The Prince of India* in the Colonial, judging from the

general character of the audience since the opening night. It has been realized by the promoters and those familiar with the construction of the play that it should appeal largely to a class of people not included among regular theatregoers with its intense and reverent attitude toward the drama. The rough edges of the opening performance, few in comparison to what might be expected with such a stupendous stage creation, have been smoothed and the performance is running evenly and with great impressiveness."

WARREN A. PATEICK.

### TO GEORGE ADE

#### AUTHOR OF THE SHO-GUN

By Henry Blossom, Author of *Mile. Modiste*. A fool there was and he wrote a book,

Even as you and I.  
Libretto and lyrics, and these he took  
With a jolly, good-natured, joyful look.  
And they placed the opera by hook or crook,  
Even as you and I.

Oh, the days we worked and the ways we  
We worked.

To evolve a consistent plot!  
But alas, we found that it could not be,  
And now we know that it never will be,  
And the reason why 'twill not.

The fool was pleased with his lines and verse,  
Even as you and I.

But he went to see the piece rehearse,  
And the cast seemed bad and the book seemed  
worse.

So they started "enting" to make it terse,  
Even as you and I.

THE UNIQUE THEATRE.

The pioneer tent-continual show house in San Francisco, is no more. After Sunday night's performance the place was completely wrecked.

The Grauman's Egyptian, which was to have been the new home of the Unique, has been sold to the *Orpheum* Circuit, recently pur-

chased the building in which the Unique was located.

He refused Grauman a new lease, it

is said, and let the Sullivan-Considine people have the theatre. This is to have caused trouble, and the building is to be sold to the Unique.

Princess Trixie's trained horse, is

the topliner at the Lycée upon a return date.

The horses were unusually large, and

Manager Donnellan could easily keep the act on another week, but Trixie is booked else-

where.

THE FLAMING ARROW.

was advertised by a bunch of Indians driven

by six horses. The aborigines were in

costume and their occasional whoops caused a

flurry of excitement along the principal streets.

This attraction did big business at the Central Theatre.

Geo. E. Lask has accepted the position of

stage manager at the Tivoli to succeed Max

Friedman. Resigned. Under Mr. Lask's manage-

ment musical farce comedies will be produced

in rapid succession. Mr. Lask was for many

years stage manager at the old Tivoli Theatre

and all his productions were very success-

ful.

Charles Pinaud, the famous old time panto-

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GOODWIN IN A GILDED FOOL.

It is possible that the next produc-

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is supreme for magnificence, even amid the

many marvelous things Mr. Tree has done.

WATSON'S ORIENTALS.

at the California are doing more business than

ever, and company since the advent of the Bay

Gungs Olympia in California, the new

venue having gone under in six weeks.

The sum of £730, deposited with the Thomas Cook & Co., as security for return fares, having been

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SOPHIE BRANT.

In the above picture Charles Orrin Cowles

and Dorothy Alden are shown in the character

make-up in which they portray their own orig-

inal characters.

The idea of the sketch is new to vaudeville

and it is worked out in a most artistic man-

ner by these two clever portrayers of rural

types. Wherever it has been presented John-

athan's Courtship has been accorded the praise

of the public and the commendation of the press.

LUCKY MISS DEAN PRODUCED.

On Monday night, Feb. 5, at the Madison

Square Theatre, New York City, *Lucky* was

done a justice by Sophie Brant's Bell.

Miss Brant, the leading actress, has

been a masterful rendering of its speeches.

Percy Hammond, The Post: General Lew

Wallace's *The Prince of India*, as presented

dramatically at the Colonial last evening,

is a prodigious pageant of scenery, costumes, and

effects, and the use of which is probably

the most notable feature of the play.

The dramatic effect of the stage is

the most remarkable feature of the play.

The *Prince of India* is a masterpiece.

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## Broadway :: Topics

New York Office, 1440 Broadway.

By WALTER K. HILL.

**M**ARTIN BECK and J. J. Murphy, of the Broadway, as a marching vehicle for "Fat Temptation," will include among the characters a type of our fellow citizens who is best described as a "sport." He also made the role for Miss Templeton an equally dapper character, a young woman rather nearer the "sport" than the "sporty" type, but still presumed to be. There is just enough exaggeration in each type to give scope to Cohen's best vein of humor, and their deaderies would alone provide good entertainment for lovers of frothy comedy.

The success of last year's "Boer War" in connection with the accommodation of two striking novelties in out-of-door amusements. One of these attractions will be produced under Mr. Brady's personal supervision, and another will be presented by another showman of national prominence.

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William H. Gardner has signed Walter F. Kidder as one of the advance staff for the Hagenbeck Show for the coming season.

Frank J. Dwyer, of the Hippodrome, Dundy, is expected home early this week with a heavy list of new attractions booked for the Hippodrome.

J. Bernard Dwyer retires from the cast of "The Girl in the Moon" to the Hippodrome.

He is likely to become a member of the new musical comedy the Shubert Brothers have in preparation.

The Marvelous St. Julians are playing the Mozart Circuit of Family Theatres through Brooklyn, meeting with their accustomed success.

Phil K. Mindell, who has given F. F. Proctor the best press representation he ever had in the New York newspapers, retires from his position as manager of the New York Proctor house, Feb. 10, to take a lucrative position with one of the railroads centering in New York.

J. Austin Fyne's "struck it rich" in a gold mining scheme which he has been pursuing in the Andes. He has made a fortune. In the ventures, there is real gold to be found upon his South American claim and expert assayers pronounce the showing as abundantly prolific and assure results. Mr. Fyne, by the way, is a tenor, and his musical training will be of great service in his theatrical management, and will be heard from soon as the front of an important theatre deal in this city.

Woodward's trained seals and sea lions, after a long absence, will return to the stage next week to the Hippodrome program, Feb. 19.

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The Lion and the Mouse will celebrate its one hundredth performance at the Lyceum Theatre, where, this season, the author of the play, Charles Klein, will give a dinner to the members of the company.

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## BOOMING BRIGHTON BEACH

The voltage of William A. Brady's indomitable energy will from this time forth be devoted almost exclusively to the development of plans which he has consummated. As the power of the Brighton Beach Development Co. for the reclaiming of the Brighton territory lies between Coney Island and now designated, and Manhattan Beach. The spacious territory will, with the coming summer, become the most popular ocean-front, bordered by the best bathing beach in this vicinity, will be beautified and made attractive through a scheme of landscape-gardening which will turn it into a maze of green lawns.

Buildings for the accommodation of bathers will be erected upon the beach, and the designs. The water front will be fringed with a new and broader board walk which will extend, unbrokenly, from Coney Island to Manhattan Beach. Of the buildings best known and most popular, the Brighton Beach Hotel, and the vaudeville theatre will be improved and beautified through reconstruction. New buildings for the accommodation of various amusement devices which the Brighton Beach Development Co. propose to install, will be erected, situated on the beach, and form upon a broad thoroughfare which is to be styled "The Pike." This feature of the newer Brighton Beach will be carefully supervised and kept down to a degree which shall maintain it in popular favor with pleasure seekers who are desirous from the accustomed freedom of such amusement streets.

## THE MARVELOUS RENOS



H. H. Buckwalter, who came east with him, is a hustling westerner of known abilities, and it can be confidently predicted that under the guidance of the management of the Brighton Beach exhibition is bound to receive a showing, and once shown will surely gain its proper amount of recognition.

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It is the intention to make Brighton Beach popular with the multitude. Manager Brady has closed contracts for a number of important concessions, but will not at this time give out the details of his plans along these lines.

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## THE KNICKERBOCKER THEATRE

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James Manning gives a clean-cut and well-entertained portrayal of the only criminal in the piece. The production, music and dancing, although only prospective, mother-in-law, must be manna to the soul of those who have a domineering influence in their home life, and to anybody else. It is the height of rampant comedy. The particular role Julia, Ralph and the Eclipse, has been chosen by a delineator of adventuresses and conniving women.

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## MANAGER ROCHE MARRIED

The secret marriage of William Roche, manager of the Academy and Bijou theatres, Chicago, and Miss Jeannie Wood, daughter of a local contractor, was revealed Friday 9. The marriage has been a month off, when the theatrical manager, who was a guest at the Wood home, was suddenly stricken ill with pneumonia. Miss Wood, who is a graduate of medievel, with a considerable knowledge of medicine, treated an invalid.

Miss Elizabeth Schober.

The Great Milair, pictured above, is half as something entirely new to the vaudeville stage, and is acknowledged the acme of loyal stage endeavor along the lines of heroic entertainment. The beautiful stage settings used in this act is applied to producing it.

His arrangement of an American eagle together with a back drop composed of four gigantic American flags will make the most callous patriot sit up and take nourishment. Milair is making good over the Keith Circuit.

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## ATLANTA, GA.

Sousa and his band proved immensely popular during their recent engagement at the Grand Opera House. The entire house sat bolt upright when the curtain went up, and every inch of standing room was a success as seats are sold rapidly.

Much interest is being manifested in the coming of Humpy Dumpty, the great Dury Lane spectacular production, which is to appear at the Grand in the near future.

The management of The Lyceum is advertising its company in a clever and unique way. They send the theatre-going people of each city handsomely illustrated postals showing the scenes of the play.

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## ALABAMA

**MOBILE**—Mobile Theatre (J. Tammabauer, mgr.) An American Star 29; delighted good business. **Adelaide Thurston** 30; good business and pleased. **Not Like Other Girls** 31; good business. **Eternal City** 1-2; fair business. **Black Eyes** 3; good business. **Land of Mystery** 12; **Shadow Behind the Throne** 12; **Sail or Tare** 15; **Liberty Belles** 19.

**BLOOMINGTON**—Grand Opera House (Fred W. H. Ripley, mgr.) **Black Crook** 26; good show and business. **Wm. Owen** Feb. 3; **Our Little Girl** 4; **Shadow Behind the Throne** 12; **Sail or Tare** 15; **Liberty Belles** 19.

**CHAMPAIGN**—Walker Opera House (C. F. Hamilton, mgr.) **Schiff's Indoor Circus** 29; good business. **Black Eyes** 10; **Land of Mystery** 12; **Land of Nod** 14; **Babes in Toyland** 15.

**CASTLE**—Theatre (L. Stoddard, mgr.) **Cyril Scott** 1; **The Prince Chaperon** 5; good business. **DeWolf Hopper in Haymarket** week 12.

**COLUMBIA**—Columbia Theatre (Lucket & Dyer, mgrs.) **Mrs. Irwin** week 12.

**MAJESTIC**—Theatre (E. Sargent, mgr.) **Hilda Thomas in The Show Girl** 5; good business. **DeWolf and Zenda** 11; **Adie De Dew**, **Sarah Dunn** and moving pictures week 5; **show and business** with **Geo. Evans** week 12.

**ACADEMY OF MUSIC** (Jno. W. Lyons, mgr.) **Academy of Music** week 12; **crowded houses**. **Flaming Arrow** week 12.

**KERNAN**—Theatre (James Kerman, mgr.) **The Tiger Lillies** week 5; **good business and performance**. **The Utopians** week 12.

**CHASE**—Theatre (Miss H. W. DeWitt, mgr.) **Minstrels** 3; **Black Eyes** 10; **Land of Mystery** 12; **Land of Nod** 14; **Land of Toyland** 15.

**PEACE**—Theatre (P. Van Cleve, mgr.) **Widow of 20** 20; **Frank Mahara's Minstrels** 21; **People's Theatre** (T. A. Peddy, mgr.) **Isle of Spice** 4; **packed house matinee and night**. **Simple Simon Simple 11**; **The Street Singer** 18.

**WASHING**—Sparks Opera House (Frank Green, mgr.) **Academy of Music** 2; **please good business**. **Faust** 2; **good returns and performance**.

**WINDFALL**—Grand Opera House (E. E. Byers, mgr.) **Brinton's Moving Pictures** 20; **fair returns**. **Bijou** (Vanderlin Co. 8; **good business**. **What Women Will Do** 6; **Stutter Brown** 9; **Vanderlin Co. 10**; **Pretty Peggy** 13; **Land of Nod** 14; **Palace Theatre** (F. W. Waldron, mgr.) **Paris** 18; **Lyric** week 5.

**INDIAN TERRITORY**

**ARDMORE**—Robinson's Opera House (J. F. Robinson, mgr.) **Chaperons** 13; **pleased good business**. **W. L. Kelly** (mgr.) **Land of Toyland** 20; **fair business**. **Wm. Owen** in **Violin** 20; **fair business**. **Fitzsimons-O'Brien** **Fight Pictures** Feb. 1; **fair business**. **Two Jolly Tramps** 2; **good business**. **The Virginian** 3; **S. E. O.** **Blown Away** (H. C. Engle, mgr.) **Land of Toyland** 17; **the Maid and the Mummy** 10; **Babes in Toyland** 17; **Just Out of College** 20; **Duke of York** 21; **Widow of 20** 20; **Frank Mahara's Minstrels** 21; **Mildred Holland** 22; **Sun's Minstrels** 23; **People's Theatre** (T. A. Peddy, mgr.) **Isle of Spice** 4; **packed house matinee and night**. **Simple Simon Simple 11**; **The Street Singer** 18.

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**FLORIDA**

**BERNARDINA**—Lyric Theatre (Walter S. Whitney, mgr.) **Donna Thorne** 20; **fair business**. **The Boy Behind the Gun** 29; **big business and good performance**. **Fantasma** week 26.

**ELKS**—Theatre (P. Van Cleve, mgr.) **Widow of 20** 20; **fair business**.

**PEACOCK**—Theatre (P. Van Cleve, mgr.) **Widow of 20** 20; **fair business**.

**GEORGIA**

**SAVANNAH**—Opera House (Jno. F. Given, mgr.) **Murray and Mack** 27; **good business and attraction**. **Alice Nielsen** Feb. 1; **good business and evening show**. **Brown's in Town** 20; **good business and fair returns**. **Frederick Warde** 3; **Modeste 10**.

**ATLANTA**—Opera House (Chas. G. Goold, mgr.) **Deaves Mankins**, **Frank Kelly**, **Connors** and **McKenzie** and **Etch Whitedale** week 5.

**ELGIN**—Opera House (Fred W. Jenks, mgr.) **Land of Toyland** 20; **fair business**. **Elgin** 2; **good show and fair attendance**. **Brilliant Nelson** **Fight Pictures** Feb. 9.

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Johnson has lived in the reigns of five British sovereigns, and prides himself on the fact that he has performed before three of them—King William IV, Queen Victoria and King Edward VII, when he was Prince of Wales. He is now quietly enjoying the evening of life at Grantham, and he hopes to live for many years to come.

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A few weeks ago he challenged a local horse dealer to a walking match, but although the horse dealer is twenty years his junior he declined the challenge.

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At last accounts Conroy had not been apprehended, and was still engaged in recovering his rig and team, although he had commenced an action in replevin. Circumstances demand Conroy and offering a reward of \$500 for his arrest are being mailed to many points in the southwest.

**HEADQUARTERS IN OKLAHOMA CITY**

Having just returned from an eastern trip, General Manager M. T. Clark of the "Younger Bros." Wild West, has established himself in Oklahoma City, Okla., from which section his show will secure a majority of its people. Mr. Clark can be addressed, Lock Box 1108, Oklahoma City.

On the 21st of the management of the Younger Brothers' Wild West, put out a clean and as neat an outfit as money will permit. They have already secured some of the best people in the wild west show business, among whom is a large number of lady riders. A feature spectacle will be "Custer's Massacre, or The Battle of the Little Big Horn."

**ANIMAL KEEPER BITTEN BY CAMEL**

Addison Gooding, an animal keeper with the Photo Shows last season, was bitten by a camel at the Clutter Park in San Francisco, Calif., one day last week, and is now a patient at the Park Emergency Hospital. According to Mr. Gooding's story, the animal seized him as soon as he had secured him, and refused to help him. Superintendent Steven Lawrence and four assistants succeeded in releasing him after a fight in which pitchforks were used on the camel.

Mr. Gooding will recover unless blood poisoning sets in.

**COLE & ROGERS OPEN SEASON**

The Cole & Rogers Railroad Show opened its season Feb. 1 at Tampa, Fla., under the most auspicious circumstances. The weather was fine, and they did an immense business, the tent being packed at every matinee and evening performance during the three days.

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The roster of the show is as follows: J. Angier, Janitor; Richard Solt, manager; O. W. Pixley, general agent; E. C. Erickson, master of transportation; E. J. Williams, general agent; M. Robinson, assistant agent; Walter W. Wilson, advance man, with two assistants, and Frank McGuire, press agent.

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THAT "PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE"

is further proof that he did not write it. To become the official organ of the Association would be to lose independence. It was because The Billboard refused to be dominated by Campbell and his kind that it lost its job as official organ in the first instance. For the same reason The Billboard has rejected subsequent overtures to become the official organ of the billposters. Yet, in its way, it serves the Association by holding the "big stick" of publicity over the heads of the Campbells and the Links who sometimes forget that they are not the whole procession because they chance to be in front.

The latest effort of that "amusing" "cuss" deserves attention. It is put out under the guise of a "Message from the President" and has Barney's name hitched to it. Possibly Barney did sign it, but no more—he never wrote it. "It's one of the Astute Editor's ownest own. If you have not read it do so at once, because it's an important document."

Having referred to a circular letter sent out by a "discredited Cincinnati sheet," the Astute Editor puts into Barney's mouth what he claims to be "the true story." By all means read that. It will tell you something that you may only have guessed at: "That this publication (The Billposter and Distributor) is the official journal of the Association; with sixty pages of solid reading-matter, every word of which is read by the small town billposter; and all other subscribers all for \$1.00 per year."

That's true, because we have been telling the same thing at least once a week for the past year to billposters who didn't seem to know that such a paper as "The Billposter" was published. We did it because we believe every billposter ought to read the official organ. It still retains all the important departments of information framed up for the benefit of the "small town" billposter by the predecessor of the present editor and which the latter has been unable to improve upon or add to. In a measure those features offset the stupid twiddle-twaddle which drifts from the pen of the Astute Editor.

As for the rest of the "President's Message," so-called, it is an attempt to throw dust in the eyes of the members of the Association. The editor makes Barney say that many billposters have canceled their subscriptions to The Billboard. Barney canceled his; but to our certain knowledge he goes to a certain news stand, which we can name, and pays 10 cents for a copy every week. So does the Astute Editor. Both these worthies read The Billboard with deepest interest, and none is more deeply disappointed than they when the communication from "Buttinski" fails to appear. A friend of The Billboard happened into Barney's office not long ago and found his nose buried in its pages. When he looked up it was with a sigh of regret and this exclamation: "Well, by golly, there's nothin' in this week."

That Barney and Bob read every issue of The Billboard carefully is further proved by the lashing they have given Fitch, of Albany, for daring to send letters to The Billboard for publication. Within twenty-four hours after Campbell saw the letter from Fitch he wrote him a two-page letter, fairly burning him up and reading him out of the Association as nearly as he could. Depend upon it that these fellows who want you, Mr. Billposter, to discontinue your subscription to The Billboard are buying it every week at a news stand and reading it from cover to cover.

We give Barney credit for more sense than to imagine that The Billboard seeks to control the Association or to become its official organ. Barney knows better, and the statement to that effect in his alleged "message"

"SECTION VI.—It is agreed that the owners, agents and managers representing the undersigned circuses have the right to discharge, for violation of contracts, disobedience, misconduct, malversation, gambling and intoxication or crooked work of any nature, providing such complaint be signed by some member of the National Alliance in good standing and in the employ of said show, and forwarded to the National Secretary.

"SECTION VII.—It is also agreed that no advertising or concessions shall be performed on Sunday or Labor Day.

"SECTION VIII.—It is also agreed that any man signing more than one contract with one or more circuses at the same time, upon proof of same, shall be fined twenty-five dollars, for the first offense, and the undersigned, in case of non-payment, shall be denied employment to the man until such fine is paid. When such fine is paid, it must be forwarded to the National Secretary. For the second offense he shall be expelled from the National Alliance of Billposters and Billers of America and his card be taken from him.

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"SECTION XII.—Thirty days' notice shall be given by either party before the expiration of this agreement, should a renewal or any alteration be desired."

BIG SHOWS SIGN

Walter Abrams, chairman of the Circus Committee, advises The Billboard that the amended agreement as given above has been signed by the Barnum & Bailey Shows, the Selig's Shows, the John Hagenbeck Shows, the Coney Island Shows, etc. While nothing definite is reported concerning the action of the other show managers, it is believed that all will sign.

ALLIANCE NOTES

CHICAGO LOCAL NO. 1.

At the last regular meeting of Chicago Local No. 1, the election was held to fill the position of corresponding secretary, left vacant by the resignation of Charles McCuen, who resigned to accept the position of assistant agent with the Woodland Co. Mr. Otto Koenig, who was chosen, was almost unanimous to fill the unexpired term.

On account of good business in Chicago this winter, all members of No. 1 have been busy. The financial condition of the Local is exceeded beyond our imagination. Not on your life. They continued to draw on our treasury just the same, and that is where the dividends come from.

The official organ is now used as a means of uniting the billposters. The heavy demands of the country billposters who can't afford them, instead of being legitimately used to further the interests of these country billposters, are diverted to the pockets of the official organ, the shape of dividends, declared by the official organ.

If the gang were poor, if they were needy and indigent, there might be some excuse for them thus preying on the little fellows in the small towns. But, as a matter of fact, most of the individuals in the Association are the wealthiest members of the Association.

Probably they need the money, though. It

is all right in any event. Might make right, and the country billposters can not help themselves. It is the gang that after ten years of effort that the official organ has found a mission that has at last become something even if it is only a parasite.

The gang wants to hold on to it now. It is a "good thing." So, by the way, is every member of the Association that stands for it.

OMAHA LOCAL NO. 12.

Officers of Omaha Local No. 12 were elected at a meeting on Sunday, Jan. 23, as follows: H. T. Kline, president; C. O. McDaniel; E. J. Kline, secretary-treasurer; O. Connely, business agent; W. Smith, sergeant-at-arms; C. McCuen, with Woodland Co. and Sid. J. Johnson, with the National Alliance. President of Local No. 12 visited here last week. J. P. McDonald, of Local No. 5, head of the Land of Nod, was here on Jan. 24. Brother Sprague, of Local No. 3, who was injured here about a month ago, also is about again, and is working at the Boyd's. Eddie Kline is here now with the Omaha Post Office Service.

R. P. Penney, from Denver Local No. 6, visited us on Sunday, Jan. 28, on his way to Chicago. Eddie Kline, of Local No. 12, who intend going on the road this season, should communicate with Secretary E. J. Kline, care of Post office Box 688, as he has news of importance for them.

DECATUR, ILL.

The Virginian, with Dustin Farnum in the title role, broke all records for attendance this season at the Powers Theatre. The receipts for one performance were \$1,200. Every seat was sold. The Virginian, with a number of people were turned away. Mr. Farnum was given several curtain calls for his excellent work, and his supporting company was well received.

The exterior of the Powers Theatre has been greatly changed since the winter-coach has been finished. It is built of steel with stone bases and is a most substantial structure.

Miss Roselle Knott, a great favorite here, will be in the Powers Theatre this week in Flower, at the Powers Theatre.

Manager Sistrick will furnish some of the acts for the Frozone Minstrels, who give their performance Wednesdays evenings.

The new act given to the usher of the Powers Theatre is Andrew Jackson, recently produced The Way to Kymmer. Among the lucky young men were Julius Young, Sidney Bachrach, sr., Cland Elgin, Joe Arthur, Charles Hartman, Clifford, Sidney Bachrach, Jr., Frank Owens, Earl Cobe, Mark Hartford and Bert Dinkell.

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DAUBS

J. B. Brooks, billposter and opera house manager at Guthrie, O. T., has purchased the billposting plant of Bently & Franklin to widen the number of new boards. Taken altogether the plant is now one of the finest in the west.

Fitch, of Albany, N. Y., writes:

"Letter from President Link states in the March issue of the Big List corrections in populations will be made for New York State members in accordance with R. G. Dun & Co.'s January book."

Peter Rhode, Kenosha, Wis., billposter, has a fine line of paper on his boards. He is posting for attractions playing in Milwaukee, Wisc., and has had a good season in all lines. He would like to hear from old friends.

The Donaldson Litho. Co., New York.

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OFFICIAL ORGAN

Declares Big Dividend—Fifty Per Cent. in the Pot That Was Passed Around.

The official organ recently so it is said, declared a dividend of 50 per cent. in the capital stock. This would indicate a degree of prosperity almost bordering on the phenomenal. The great Standard Oil Trust has never paid so large a dividend as 50 per cent. Hence, we can safely say that the official organ, not only prosperous but affluent. Any firm or corporation that is able to declare so large a dividend would be regarded as wealthy-rich beyond the dreams of avarice.

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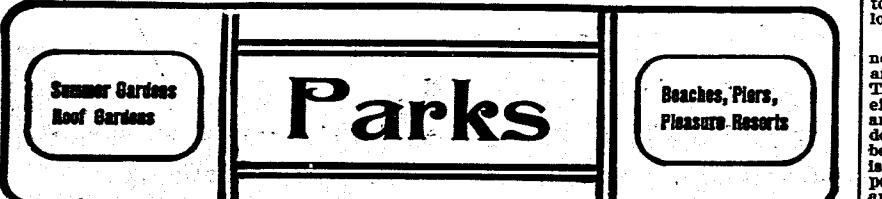
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Elaborate Plans Being Made For Athletic Park, New Orleans—Work to Begin Immediately.

The DeAcos, sharp-shooters, are preparing for the park and fair season.

## JAMES E. HARDY

**T**HE Athletic Park Amusement Co., has just been incorporated under the laws of Indiana with a capitalization of \$50,000. The incorporators are Chas. E. (Parson) Davies, Partner, B. Leopold, J. Loyacano, Anthony Paterson, Jr., Gus Lehmann, Jr., W. B. Schwartz, S. Medina, and A. W. Lewis. The company will take over the Athletic Park, and will operate and develop it into one of the best-appointed parks in the country. It is understood that the whole scheme is being promoted by Capt. Lewis and Parson Davies.

"The park is to be developed along modern lines," said Capt. Lewis, in the course of a recent interview with The Billboard correspondent. "I intend to make Athletic Park the most amusement resort in the southern states. It is to be a place where all the people within reach of the entire population of New Orleans and having the finest street car service possible. The very newest park innovations will be introduced and among other attractions will be a large swimming pool, a roller coaster, Fighting the Flames. We are now negotiating for a Hell Gate, and the famous Baldwin Airship called The California Arrow, will be at Athletic Park the entire season. Baby exhibits, animal displays and many other attractions too numerous to mention. In addition to all the attractions that were formerly used on the grounds, will be seen next season."

"Will you run the Casino again?" he was asked.

"No, I shall give open-air concerts with one of the finest military bands obtainable, and also open-air vaudeville. There will be absolutely free attractions."

Capt. Lewis is one of the most picturesque figures in the amusement world to-day. American born, being a native of Madison County, Ky., and now just thirty-one years of age, he emigrated to South Africa for his health in the early summer, participated in the Matabele campaign in Rhodesia, and in the Boer War. In the Boer War again took up arms. He was twice wounded while marching to the relief of Mafeking, and, after the siege was raised, he served as a captain of an squadron of the regular cavalry, participating in the remainder of the campaign. He was one of the most active workers during the war, at the close of which he was decorated with both the Queen's and King's medals with eight clasps. He originally came to America to work in the Louisiana Exposition. He is widely known as an energetic and enthusiastic worker and New Orleans is fortunate that he is at the head of one of her big amusement enterprises.

DETROIT, MICH., Feb. 8, 1906.

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## STREET FAIRS

## CARNIVALS

## PARKER'S SOUVENIR BOOK

Col. Chas. W. Parker has just issued a hand-some souvenir book which contains some very interesting matter on his various amusement enterprises. No one, who reads this souvenir can honestly question the right of Col. Parker to wear the title of America's Amusement King.

Typographically, the book is neat and tastefully illustrated. It is the pioneer in its field, and, once more, Col. Parker has shown the way. The preface modestly styles the publication a "booklet," although of quarto size and comprising forty pages. The Colonel has been familiar with things Brobdingnagian that efforts to make the ordinary novel and consider noteworthy are to him only trifling matters in the land of Lilliput.

## NUGENT &amp; FREEMAN DISSOLVE

General Manager J. Barnet, of the Pierce Amusement Co., St. Paul, Minn., writes that they will next season have The Bijou, Glass Swing, figure eight, miniature railway, four or five first-class shows, a vaudeville theatre and a hippodrome where all kinds of first-class acts will be presented. The island at the pier will be a new and novel walk will be arranged. Many other improvements are contemplated. The features of last year will be retained.

There will be many improvements at Riverview Park, Louisville, Ky., if Manager Simons succeeds in carrying out his plans. The Broadway Amusement Co. will erect a new theatre at the resort.

Frank W. Williams, since closing with the Jacknife Pure Food position, has been engaged by the New York Co. He will be identified with Brighton Beach Park, New York City, the coming summer.

Fred Wolkau, Jr., is the sole owner and manager of Brighton Lake Park, Bloomington, Ill., having purchased the entire thirty-five acres last October.

Lloyd Jeffries has taken up his duties as excursion agent for Coney Island, Pitts-burgh, Pa.

tors and programmers. J. M. Overstreet is no longer connected with our company.

The European Amusement Co. is now in the market, some portion of its forces and incidentally is attracting big business. They soon go into Mexico. They are carrying eight big shows, two free acts, Ferris-wheel and merry-go-round. Their concessions are all doing nicely. Everything is being put into their shows for the day to day. The show is beginning to assume its usual brilliant appearance. Prince Younker, the high-wire artist, is still with the show, as is Prof. Woods and his troupe of educated dogs. Bob McLean, manager of the Coney Island Co. Shows are a big drawing card. With the show are Stanley and Hatcher, the owners; Wm. Linn, secretary; Lewis First, advertising agent; W. R. Casey, announcer; Joe Turner, announcer, and W. F. Black, master of transportation.

Notes from The Nichols Amusement Co. Owing to the enormous crowds which attended the Big Arthur Show, we have been exhibiting there for the past two weeks. Our four free acts, Harry Wright, aerialist; Bob Scanlon, high wire; Joe Batty, single trapeze, and Scanlon, high diver, have proven great. The show is a success. The Englishman, the well-known English showman who offered the performer a one-day engagement at a fete in

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Eberhart, of the Fairyland Carnival Co., celebrated their second wedding anniversary by giving a sumptuous dinner to a number of the members of the company Feb. 4.

L. C. Kelley, late of the Jones-Adams Show, is spending the winter in Arizona and wishes to inform his friends especially Barney Prati, that his address is Box 1363, Bisbee, Ariz.

Manager A. A. Hatcher, of the European Amusement Co., has been absent from his company for two weeks on a visit to Three Rivers, N. M., visiting his mother.

The Alabama Carnival Co. now traveling through Louisiana, is doing excellent business. The company's new show, a merry-go-round and a Ferris-wheel.

Walt McCafferty, of the Parker Amusement Co., has opened a penny arcade in Winfield, Kan., and will remain in that town for a short time.

Happy Hi Hubbard has been in San Francisco, Cal., since Jan. 1, putting on Children's Carnival Entertainments. He will be there until March 1.

Arthur and Madie Reynolds are wintering in Jacksonville, Fla., where they will remain until May 1.

Owing to the exceptionally good business, The Nichols Amusement Co., remained in Port Arthur, Tex., for two weeks.

The Alamo & Martin Big Hot Show will take the road in May with one of the carnival companies.

Byron Spain will be in the carnival business again this season.

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Kansas will hold a semi-centennial exposition in 1911 to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the state's admission into the Union, and the exposition will be held in Topeka, where it was first held in 1859. The exposition committee of nearly 800 delegates from all portions of the state adopted the report of the committee on resolutions.

## FAIR NOTES

The Northwestern Wisconsin State Fair, which is held at Chippewa Falls, Wis., Sept. 24-26, this year, will be lighted by electricity and running races and carnival attractions will be featured. A. G. Cox is president; W. W. Flinn, treasurer; Robt. E. Clark, secretary; G. B. McCall, vice-president and superintendent of speed, and E. W. Murray, executive committee.

Harry E. Tegley writes: Passman & Green's General Amusement Co., is enjoying a very prosperous tour through Florida. The weather is fine, the business is good, everybody is in good spirits and looking forward to a bright future. Hay's Big Electric Palace, Great Train Robbery, The Moonshiners, The Impossible VII, Big Epstein's Old Plantation, Armstrong's Famous Circus, The Famous Circus, The Famous Family Band and Merry-go-round are the attractions with the show.

Mr. and Mrs. Slim Wren are spending the winter on McFadden's Ranch 84, Victoria, Tex.

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The Brown Amusement Co. will enter upon its third annual tour this season, and it promises to be the most successful so far. All shows will be strictly moral and everything open to the public eye. This year Mr. Brown claims he has several ideas entirely new and novel in the carnival field. There will be six shows, a merry-go-round and a twelve-piece band. Special paper will be carried, and all towns will be effectively billed.

John T. Owen writes: Since closing my carnival season in November, 1905, I have organized a vaudeville show composed of ten people. We travel in our own private car, and picking up towns through Arkansas, Oklahoma and Indian Territory, we will open a carnival company the last part of April in Camen, O. T., where our winter quarters are located.

The Sites & Gilbert Twentieth Century Merry-go-round Co., opens its season Feb. 8 at Danbury, Conn., with a brand new outfit. They are at present doing business under cover. The name of the company is T. O. Sites & Gilbert, owners; T. O. Sites, business manager; Annie A. Sites, treasurer; John Hall, engineer; and C. C. Jones, ticket seller.

Elliot Hurd, last season general agent for The Hoosier Amusement Co., is spending the winter months in Indianapolis, Ind., and, as yet, is undecided as to what he will do. He has several excellent offers, but he may possibly put out a carnival of his own.

The following officers were elected at the meeting of the Collin Co. Fair Association in McKinney, Tex., Jan. 27: E. W. Kirkpatrick, president; J. L. Green, vice-president; J. L. Franklin, secretary; J. P. Moulton and J. W. Smith, assistant secretaries and J. L. White, treasurer.

Slim and Fatty Felix, who had the long practice with the State Greater Amusement Co., recently closed a very successful season. They are now in the restaurant business in Birmingham, Ala., and can be addressed at 2312 Second avenue, North.

Jack Compton has closed his big Fairland Co., and has some good offers for the coming season. Friends can address him at Dallas, Tex., or in care of the Fairland Co., Dallas, Tex.

Earl D. Jones will act in the capacity of general contractor for the Great Monarch Shows, the coming season. He will go on the road about March 17, looking for "live ones."

The Bijou Theatre at Moundsville, W. Va., was sold Feb. 2 by the trustees of the creditors and bought in by the latter to save themselves.

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London. Taking chances, Mr. Hardy went to England and after the first performance he was booked for a season at the New Brighton Tower Grounds. Hardy remained in England and made his first tour of the United States, and, when he returned, he achieved warrants his decision to cross the Atlantic again this coming spring. His business manager, E. S. Jackson, of Toronto, Canada, is now making his date book for the season, at the close of which the "American Blondin" mats for New Zealand under contract for an important engagement.

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Hier's Fatal Sin: Quincy, Ill., 19; International Stock Co.: Paterson, N. J., 12-17; Middlebury, N. Y., 19-21.

Imperial Amusement Co.: Jack Champion, mgr.: Austin, Tex., 16-17; Hazelhurst, 19-21; Elmwood, Pa., 19-21.

Irving, May, H. B. Gire, mgr.: Washington, D. C., 12-17; Trenton, N. J., 16; Plainfield, N. J., 18-21; New Haven 22; Bridgeport, Conn., 21; New Haven 22; Waterbury, Conn., 18-21.

Jeffrey, Wm.: Utica, N. Y., 18-21.

Jefferson, Chas. B.: Lawrence Walker, mgr.: The Dales, Over, 14; Portland 15-17; Seattle 18-20; Everett 21.

Jerry from Kerry (Patten & Perry's): Santa Barbara, Calif., 14; Ventura 16; Oxnard 16; Santa Paula 17.

Jewell Stock Co.: St. Albans, W. Va., 12-21.

Johns, H. B.: Hearts are Broken, J. B. Clifford, mgr.: Providence, R. I., 12-17; New York City, 18-21.

Holland, Mildred, O. White, mgr.: Galveston, Tex., 14; Orange 16; McAllen, 18-21.

Holmes, Wm.: Utica, N. Y., 18-21.

Hanford, Chas. B.: Lawrence Walker, mgr.: The Dales, Over, 14; Portland 15-17; Seattle 18-20; Everett 21.

Harris, Frank: Bell Telephone 22-24.

Hart, Don C.: Marion, O., 16; Kenton 18-21.

Hawkins, H. B.: Hearts are Broken, J. B. Clifford, mgr.: Providence, R. I., 12-17; Manchester 18-21.

Hendricks, Ed.: Wm. Gray, mgr.: Pasadena, Calif., 14; San Bernardino 17; Riverside 18-21.

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Bernhardt, Sarah, Shubert Bros., mgrs.; Cin-  
cinnati, O., 15-17; Louisville, Ky., 19.  
Boy from the West, W. G. Elmdorf, mgrs.;  
Beaver Falls, Pa., 14; Irwin 15; Latrobe 16;  
Uniontown 17.  
Burglar's Daughter, Vance & Sullivan, mgrs.;  
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Montreal, Can., 12-17.  
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O., 12.  
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## MISCELLANEOUS

Augustine's Electric Studio; Water Valley,  
Miss., Indef.  
Borden's Novelty Electric Studio; Demopolis,  
Ala., 15-17.  
Crocker's Educated Horse, Jim O. Patrick,  
mgr.; Ludington, Mich., 15-17; Big Rapids 18-21; Muskegon 22-24.  
Comte Comedy Co.; Farmington, N. J., 12-  
17.  
Carpenter's School of Palmistry; Hot Springs,  
Ark., Indef.  
Davis-Beth Moving Pictures; Watertown,  
Tenn., 12-17; Cartage 18-24.  
Dempsey, the Great; Macon, Ga., 15.  
Dempsey's Electric Theatre; Madison, Ind.,  
Indef.  
Fagel's F. H., Merry-go-round; Lagrange,  
Ga., 12-17.  
F. M. & Mrs. Herbert L. Hypnotists, H.  
L. Flint, mgr.; Decatur, Ill., 12-17; Bloom-  
ington, Ill., 18-24.  
Heims, Mr. and Mrs. Harry, Magician, Harry  
Heims, mgr.; West Bend, Wis., 12-17; She-  
boygan Falls 18-24.  
Hicks, Harry & Co., Concert Co.; East Pal-  
estine 19; Niles 22; Sandusky 18-24.  
Howe's Moving Pictures; Staunton, Va., 24.  
Herald Square Moving Pictures (Eastern); Wor-  
cester, Mass., Indef.  
Herrick Temple of Palmistry; Braceville III,  
Indef.  
Johnstone, the Hypnotist, C. Wm. Franklin,  
mgr.; St. Paul, Minn., 12-17; Stillwater 19-  
24.  
Lamont, Magician, E. L. Lamont, mgr.; Bay  
St. Louis, Miss., 14; Ocean City 15; Jack-  
son, Ala., 16; Greenville 17; Lebanon 18-  
21; Maryville 22; Middleboro 23; Danville  
Liquor Row Show, H. M. Miller, mgr.; Co-  
Grand Island 17; Hollidaysburg 18-24; Super-  
ior 22.  
Hobson, 21; Fairbury 22; Beatrice 23; Danville  
Levitt, Prof., Palmistry Co.; Danville, Ill.,  
Indef.  
Lindner, Madeline, Temple of Palmistry; An-  
derson, Ind., Indef.  
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Lingerman's, Sam & Lucy, Magical & Ven-  
triloquist Entertainment (705 North 5th St.);  
Philadelphia, Pa., Indef.  
Loring, Prof., Radio Light Card Studio  
(907 Summit St.); Toledo, O., 12-17.  
New Edison Electric Theatre, P. F. Brown,  
mgr.; (908 Robertson Ave.); Springfield, Mo.,  
Indef.  
Pringle, Hypnotist, S. Willard Magoo, mgr.;  
Brooklyn, N. Y., 12-17; Binghamton 18-24.  
Perkins, Bill; Sioux City, Ia., 14; Cedar Rapids,  
Ia., 15-17.  
Pfleider, Magician & Ventriloquist (189, Allen  
St.); Buffalo, N. Y., Indef.  
Pugnaire Bros., E. S. & George, mgr.; Atlanta,  
Ga., 12-17.  
Queen Zevora, Gypsy Camp; Chattanooga, Tenn.,  
12-17.  
Ranney, Prof., Profidex, Md., 14.  
Silver Family Swiss Bell Ringers, Bert Silver,  
mgr.; Mecca, Ind., 14; Monroe, O., 15-16.  
Tecumseh, Mich., 17-19.  
Sipes & Gilbert's Merry-Go-Round, Standard  
Am. Co., mgr.; Danbury, Conn., 8-24.  
Stroh, Fred, Prof., Profidex, Md., LaFollette,  
Tenn., 12-17; Danville, Ky., 18-24.  
Sevengals, Walter C. Mack, mgr.; Bristol,  
Pa., 12-17; Columbia 19-24.  
Ship's Indoor Circus, Edward W. Shipp, mgr.; El-  
gin, Ill., 15-17; Elkhorn 18-24.  
Vane, Harry, Magician; New Orleans, La., 5-  
17; Baton Rouge 18-24.  
Shepard's Moving Pictures (A-14th St. Theatre);  
New York City, Indef.  
Shepard's Moving Pictures (B-West End The-  
atre); New York City, Indef.  
Shepard's Moving Pictures (C-Majestic Theatre);  
Brooklyn, N. Y., Indef.  
Shepard's Moving Pictures (D-3d Ave. Theatre);  
New York City, Indef.  
Shepard's Moving Pictures (E); Washington,  
D. C., Indef.  
Shepard's Moving Pictures (F); Lawrence,  
Mass., Indef.  
Shepard's Moving Pictures (G); Fall River,  
Mass., Indef.  
Shepard's Moving Pictures (H); Atlantic City,  
N. J., Indef.  
Shepard's Moving Pictures (I); Troy, N. Y.,  
Indef.  
Shepard's Moving Pictures (J); Asbury Park,  
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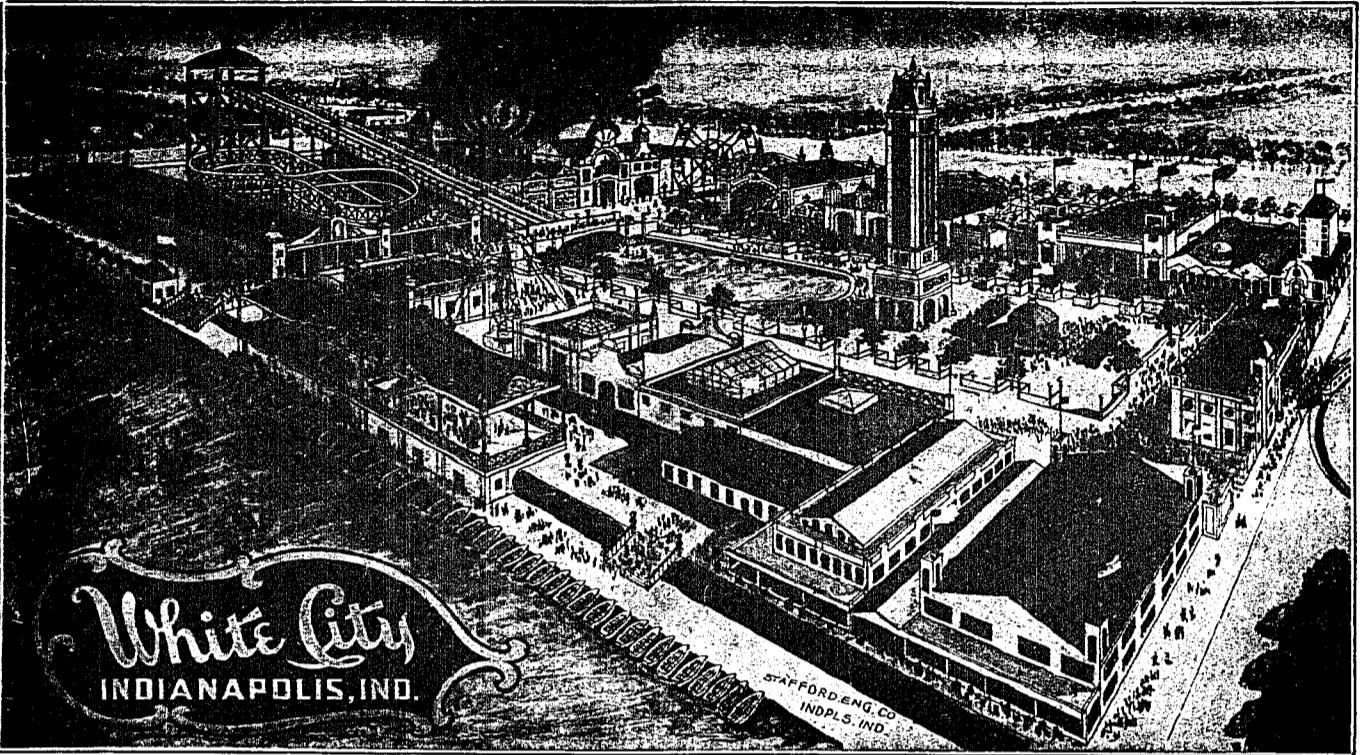
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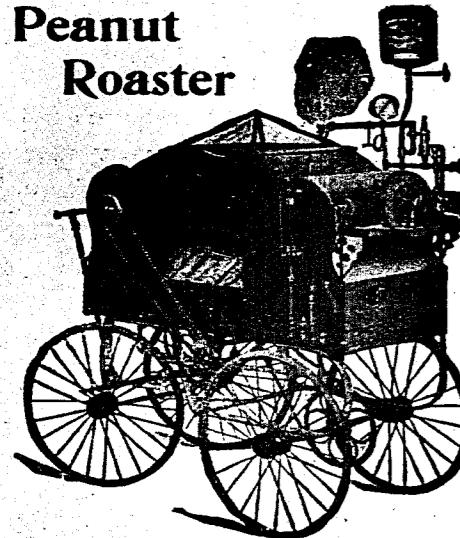
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## ONE-NIGHTERS

### Will Have New Territory Next Season

The Missouri Girl Opens New Theatre  
at Johnson City, Tenn.—Lyman  
Twins Entertain Elks.

Now many theatres are being planned in a  
great many of the smaller cities of  
Virginia and West Virginia, and next  
season a valuable territory will be  
opened up to the one-night attractions.  
The Billboard records great numbers  
of new houses to be built along the C. & O.  
R. R., which houses, in addition to a fine  
theatre at completed at Clifton Forge, Va.,  
and the half a dozen houses being built along  
the railroad. West Virginia is an important  
chain to the itinerary of the smaller towns.

A new courthouse is being erected at Marion,  
Va. It will include a theatre. The  
opera house at Abingdon is being remodeled; a  
new house is practically assured at Tazewell,  
and a new schoolhouse is being erected at  
Big Stone Gap, with a fine hall that will likely  
be fitted up for an open house.

THEATRE TO BE IMPROVED

The Elite Opera House at Bluefield, W. Va.,  
will be remodeled during the coming summer.  
Another balcony will be added to replace the  
present gallery; the depth of the stage will be  
increased eight feet, and the ladies' retiring-room  
and the men's smoking room will be added.  
The house has played to good business this  
season, but better arrangements will be made  
to reach the outlying territory, and prospects  
are unusually bright for the future.

The new Soldiers' Home Theatre at Johnson  
City, Tenn., opened Feb. 17 with The Missouri  
Girl. The house cost \$70,000.

S. H. Joliffe will open his vaudeville  
company and company April 1 at Bluefield, W. Va.,  
and will play his usual territory. D. M.  
Joliffe will be business manager.

COHAN'S SUCCESS

George M. Cohan is certainly having his day.  
Every show in which he is interested is doing  
excellent business nearly every night. The second  
Little Johnny Jobe, Cohan's boy, has been  
handed in the one-night stands as Cohan himself  
scored in the cities. The company made so  
great a hit that it plays return dates this  
spring in Fall River, Mass., Norwich, New  
London, Middlebury and Meriden, Conn., New  
Haven, Troy, Utica, Hornell, Elmira, Ithaca,  
New York, N. Y.; Bradford, Kane, Erie, Sharon and  
New Castle, Pa.; Canton, Akron East Liverpool  
and Steubenville, Ohio, and Parkersburg, W. Va.

Agents seem to make fine managers for fam-  
ily theatres. J. B. Haller is managing one  
in Gardner, Mass.; E. P. Craft is located at  
Glenwood, N. Y.; W. W. Potts is located at  
Kalamazoo, Mich., and nearly every one  
of the Sun City houses is managed by an  
Arabian tumbling act. They sail for Europe July 2.

THE ELKS' HOME

Twenty-two Elks, six professionals, are at  
the National Elks' Home at Bedford City, Va.,  
and it could not possibly be better cared for. The  
building is a former hotel. The Elks purchased it  
fully furnished. Several changes have  
been made, and now the billiard room is  
being converted into a hospital. Frank Mor-  
dant is very ill at the home, and it is feared  
that he can not recover.

The Lyman Twins in the Rustlers, played  
Bedford City, Feb. 5, and reserved a section  
of the house for the members of the home, even  
sending carriages for them, the home being  
a mile distant from town.

Mrs. Kathryn Evans, now with the Lyman  
Twins, is in her sixty-first year. She was  
with Jacob Collins, now with the home, 15 years  
ago. The company toured the South and  
was managed by Fred Wildman. Mr. Collins  
was also an intimate friend of the parents of  
Patti Rosa, and she presented him with a  
handsome pipe which he values very highly.

The Masons are erecting a modern theatre at  
Clifton Forge, Va., which is to be ready to open  
Sept. 1. The new theatre is to be erected at  
Marion, Va., in time for next season.

Dora (Fitz) (B.), under the management of  
D. G. Hartman, continues to break records  
everywhere. At the Grand, Youngstown, O.,  
on Feb. 27, the show did \$1,637.80—the largest  
receipts in the history of the house at popular  
prices.

ANDREW MACK ILL

George Ira Adams, of Denver, Col., an-  
nounces that he will open a vaudeville theatre  
in Colorado Springs. Whether he will lease or  
purchase the building is not yet known.

The prosecution will be conducted by T. S.

Seely, attorney for the district, and he  
will be assisted by special counsel employed  
by the Actors' Society of America. Several  
members who witnessed the tragedy will, it  
is understood, appear for the state.

Frank Thellen is making extensive  
improvements on the Star Theatre at Aurora,  
Ill. A new ticket office is one of the new  
features.



Mlle. JOSEPHINE AMOROS

Above appears an excellent likeness of Mlle. Josephine Amoros, of the Amoros Sisters, Jo-  
sephine and Charlotte, at present a feature on the Orpheum Circuit. Mlle. Amoros made  
her debut at the age of seven at the Oxford Theatre, London. Her father was a noted  
European performer, and the first to imitate a monkey and frog, and her grandfather,  
Mons. Bastian Francois, was the well-known French circus proprietor. Mlle. Josephine does  
a trapeze act that is unequalled. Her feature is a double dislocation of her arms. In private  
she is a little girl, but on the stage she is a great performer. Charlotte, the younger  
sister, is also a great performer. Charlotte is the star of the show. She is a  
handsome girl, with a fine figure, and is very popular. She is a great dancer, and is  
known as the "Queen of the stage." She is a great dancer, and is known as the "Queen of the stage."

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## EVENTS OF IMPORTANCE IN REPRESENTATIVE CITIES

### Theatrical Hotel to Be Built in Baltimore

Nellie Stewart Closes Her 'Frisco Engagement to Good Business—Receiver Will Continue to Run Lyric Theatre—Toledo May Get New Playhouse, But Sunday Night Concerts Will Be Discontinued in That City.

**W**HILE out riding with his father, George W. Rife, William Rife, business manager of the Holiday Street Theatre, was thrown from his horse and sustained a sprained ankle Sunday afternoon, Feb. 3.

Olga Nethersole was greeted by large and enthusiastic audiences.

Professionals will be interested in the information concerning the new hotel to be opened for their exclusive use at the southeast corner of Baltimore and Front streets.

George Wicks, a musician, is stranded in this city. He came here two months ago from San Francisco.

Miss Eva Fay, performing at the Maryland Theatre last week, sent personal invitations to DeWolf Hopper, Marie Cahill, Olga Nethersole, John Ford, Mamie Gehre, and others to witness her performance.

#### CELEBRATES 85TH BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Jane Germon, formerly a well-known actress, but now living in retirement in this city, celebrated her 85th birthday Feb. 8. She walked from her home to Ford's Opera House and received a hearty welcome from Mr. Ford, with whom she is very popular. Mrs. Germon is a second cousin of the late Joseph Jefferson.

Major Thumann has proposed J. G. Pangborn as director general of the exhibition position. Major Pangborn has a national reputation. He prepared the Baltimore and Ohio exhibits at the Chicago and St. Louis expositions and he headed the commission which gathered the art for the famous Marshall Field Museum in Chicago.

Owing to the cold weather, tonsillitis has become quite prevalent this winter. The Health Commissioner fears an epidemic, as several thousand cases were reported last week.

#### THE GAYETY OPENING

The opening of the Gayety Theatre was a tremendous success and much greater than the meagre expectation of the management. The house was crowded at every performance and hundreds were turned away. All the members associated with the Columbia Amusement Co. participated at the opening performance. An elaborate banquet followed the event at Hotel Lexington.

The receiver recently appointed for the Lyric, formerly Music Hall, will continue to run the theatre. The building was opened in 1894 and the name has been changed but not one. Many well-known actors and singers have appeared on its stage. The trouble is the outcome of an unsettled judgment against the company for \$76,000 with interest.

Mr. McRae delivered an interesting illustrated lecture at Ford's Opera House on the evenings of Feb. 8 and 9.

February 7 marked the second anniversary of the great fire of 1904. The city has almost entirely recovered from the visible effects of the catastrophe. A jubilee next fall will celebrate the recovery.

The love affair of Hattie Cooper, known professionally as Penny Penn, was shattered by a police officer Saturday morning, Feb. 10, when Michael Aitchison, a young Boston man to whom she was engaged to be married Feb. 13, was arrested upon a charge of selling jewelry without license. Unless Miss Penn raises the sum of \$36.75 imposed upon him, the wedding will not possibly take place. Miss Penn is a member of Fred Truitt's Co., Baltimore, Md.

#### SYLVAN SCHENTHAL

Business was phenomenal throughout Nellie Stewart's engagement. Many of the wise ones said that it was impossible to run four weeks without a change of play, but from appearances Manager Musgrave might have continued for another month or two weeks to good business. The Stewart company plays the coast, then eastern cities.

The Novelty Theatre is a little gold mine. Manager Sam Loverich has a thoroughly remodeled house, built a new stage, and Mrs. Tom Thumb, Comer, and Boston Magri, in their playlet, entitled *Two Bows to Her String*, have been the feature at the Lyceum. They go to Oakland and then put in two weeks at the Palace.

West's Big Dancers deserved the big houses they received at the Grand Opera House. The show is bright and clean and contains several features.

The thirteenth annual benefit of the San Francisco Chapter of the Theatrical Mechanical Association will take place at the Alhambra Theatre Friday afternoon, Feb. 16.

The Barowsky Troupe of European acrobats is the big feature at the Orpheum.

Starvelous McMillan is creating a sensation at the Unique Theatre, San Francisco, this week.

#### PHRISO IS A HIT

The mechanician man, is the talk of the town, and he will put in another week at Fischer's Theatre. Great credit is due Varnay & Green, the advertising firm, for the unique manner in which they gave this feature public attention.

The novelty of the big posters and the size of the posters for forty shows, placed 800 cards in the cars and used many odd methods.

Woodland did a remarkable second week's business at the Columbia. Advance sales are large for The County Chairman's opening on Feb. 25.

Manager Davis has spared no expense in mounting The Black Crook which did fine business at the Alhambra. It features a number of vaudeville specialties.

Another old favorite, The Prince of Plissen, has been here this week. It took fair returns.

Mr. Kline is now treasurer of the Empire Theatre, succeeding Jack Wurzel who resigned. Mr. Kline is eminently fitted for his new position, having worked his way up from the position of usher.

The Theatrical Buffet Ball took place early in the week and was a big success. Frank Bondie and James Kirby had the affair in charge, and to their efforts can the successful termination of the affair be traced.

BERNEARD Q. LUSTIG.

#### INDIAN PLAY

Produced in Omaha—Will Probably Be Sent Upon the Road—Other Omaha Notes.

On Feb. 11 Omaha, Neb., witnessed the premiere of Iroquois, an Indian play not unlike *Strongheart*, as the nucleus around which is built the dramatic action is an Indian's love for a white girl, Alice King. Iroquois was written by Mr. Sedley Brown, dramatic director of the Woodward Stock Co., now playing at The Burwood Theatre, located on the site of the Russian Church. The play was written before *Strongheart* was written but, as far as we know, it will likely be sent out on the road with a star cast. The audience at the initial performance displayed the wildest enthusiasm in the dramatic action, which, if taken as an endorsement of the play, foretells success for Iroquois and Sedley Brown.

Gus Solike has arrived from the east to personally supervise the production of *The Prince of Spice*, which comes to the Tivoli Feb. 18.

Gordon's All American Glass Blowers is being organized for a summer tour. Mr. Gordon says he will carry fifteen blowers.

#### TOLEDO TATTLINGS

Jules Hurtig, of Hurtig & Seaman, A. F. Keith, the vaudeville manager, and J. K. Buckley, New York booking agent, were in Toledo the past week looking over the various interests. It is understood that Mr. Hurtig conferred with local theatrical men

## FOR ACTORS

### Buddecke Would Establish Sanitarium

### Will Build Theatre to Entertain the Suffering, and Wants Afflicted Actors to Fill the Boards.

**P**RESIDENT Wm. A. Buddecke, of the Las Vegas Railway & Power Co., of Las Vegas, N. M., writes as follows to The Billboard:

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Albert Morris was a revelation in the role of Julian Iroquois, his measured, monotone delivery and rigid physique consummating an aristocratic character creation.

Miss Eva Lane, as Alice King, was clever as always, and by her manner carried conviction that her thoughts were of love for the man, his race being a secondary consideration.

D. Woodward, president of the well known Woodward & Burgess Amusement Co., which controls the stock company, was called before

#### NATIONAL FRATERNAL SANITARIUM

You will understand that the National Fraternal Sanitarium Organization is composed of all fraternal organizations having a permanence feature attached with their charter. They have representations in over 100 different orders, representing somewhere in the neighborhood of five million people.

Now then it is possible that a good many of the professional people belong to some of these organizations that were represented on this Fraternal Sanitarium Board, and thereby will receive admittance into the Sanitarium just as soon as same is ready to receive patients, which I think will be sometime this spring.

I am told by some of the directors connected with the Fraternal Sanitarium proposition that they have over 5,000 applications. Now, these 5,000 idle people certainly want to be entertained, and as "misery loves company," what could be nicer than to have, such of these professionals as are to stick to this little stunt on the stage, here in this climate for the benefit of their afflicted brethren, and thus help cheer them as well as themselves.

The main thing is to keep the stage from everything that is bad and to do what should make very light of it, for the quicker the person will make up his mind to do this the quicker he will get well. I am speaking from experience, as I had to give up a very lucrative business in the city and come out here on account of the health of my wife, who suffers from tuberculosis. I speak, and it is on account of sympathy for those afflicted with tuberculosis that I write you this letter.

If you should want to publish any of the facts stated in my letter to you, for the benefit of the public, we would be glad to receive any corrections whatever; and I believe that you would at once be flooded with inquiries as well as favorable comments with reference to this proposition.

#### PARK AND THEATRE

The Gallinas Driving Park, where we hold all of our fairs and race meetings and baseball games, is four and a half miles from the city and one and a half miles from the mouth of the Colorado River. It is situated between the Fraternal Sanitarium, lying between the city and the Fraternal Sanitarium; thus we will be able to draw from both the city and Sanitarium. I propose to erect an auditorium together with a large theatre, close to the grand stand, erected so that same could be used both in summer and winter. It will have a nice large veranda and a so-called "Dutch Beer Garden," in connection with same. It will be run strictly in accordance with the rules of the driving and disorderly characters being allowed.

Now then, I would like to have someone take off this theatrical part of it, and bring to this town such of the profession as must live in this climate for their health, and organize some kind of a theatrical company to entertain the public as well as the health.

Las Vegas has a population of 10,000 people and is now naturally increasing. Its population is very fast on account of the Fraternal Sanitarium having been located here. The sanitary condition will, undoubtedly, have over 5,000 patients which means 6,000 idle people, and while with equal representation of men and women a person can usually bank on ten per cent of the population of a town that want to be amused.

The curtain to speak a few words in behalf of its playgoers and players, and was enthusiastically applauded.

Sam. Bernard will not play Toledo this year, he jumps from Detroit to Buffalo. Though he has many admirers in Toledo he played to packed houses last year.

Happy Jack Gardiner, the monologue artist, has decided to make his future home in this city. He has purchased a handsome home so as to be on the spot when the Farm and Casino theatre open in the summer.

MINSTRELS OFFER TALENT

The Harvey Minstrels play here next week, and the management has offered the Press Club the entire first part of the show and any other part they want. The Fred Club has also secured a number of other acts and the star vaudeville bill of the season is looked for.

Manager Abe Shapiro, in addition to his other duties, also published the program for his theater, the Empire. He fills his program with a readable matter and the public appreciates it greatly.

Chester Sargeant of the Arcade Theatre announces that because of the meager attendance the high comedy at that house will be indefinitely discontinued. The theatre open in Toledo last Sunday was the Lyceum, in which house the newsboys held a meeting.

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H. J. BOOT.

The Blunkall-Henderson Stock Co. opened a week's engagement at the Broadway Theatre, East St. Louis, Ill., Monday, Feb. 12, with a performance of *Don't Tell My Wife*. The big theatre, seating 1,800 people, was packed. Among the down town stars the charted minstrels, S. F. Woodbridge, A. M. and A. S. Sorenson, were present, and each made a short address of the past history of the lodge. Other addresses were made by members of the local lodge, and some professional talent was on hand.

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By C. C. BARTRAM.

**N**ERO, produced at His Majesty's

on Thursday, Jan. 25, scored an immediate triumph. The best critics have pronounced it to be one of the greatest plays of the year. "It is a fine stage picture," a *reflex* of the real Rome that was. Looking at it we seem to see once more the mighty, strong, and powerful, and the weak and puny. "That," he says, "is what comes but seldom into my life. The vast majority of plays that I accept have to be considerably altered, or, to use a journalistic phrase, 'carefully edited.'

At *Hengler's Italian Circus*, Signor Sacco, our greatest expert in the art of being hung, still continues to baffle starvation. Locked up in a food-proof glass house he has lost 27 pounds during the first 27 days, and the hole-glassed window of the cage gets into his cheeks. His English companion, the young lion, collapsed and succumbed after fasting 100 hours, but the pale and bloodless Italian still reigns.

Dainty and jewelled Miss Marion Winches, the Queen of the *Spanish Chicks*,

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## Broadway : Topics

New York Office, 1440 Broadway.

By WALTER K. HILL.

**J**OSEPH, ARTHUR, the well-known playwright, has been lying at the police station at the Marlborough Hotel in this city most of the past week. He was reported to be improving, however, on Saturday, and there is now hope for his recovery.

Henry W. Savage, now in England, has secured the American rights of Puccini's opera, *Mimi*. Butcher and Co. have been here a week. The opera is based upon John Luther Long's *Century Magazine* story, which David Belasco dramatized and presented with phenomenal success during past season with Blanche Bates' *Madame Butterfly*. Edith May is appearing in various times in the title role.

Darcy & Wolford recently placed Virginia Howe with the Standard Theatre Stock Co. in Philadelphia, and signed William Cameron with the Proctor Stock Co. This firm has experienced a remarkable success in booking plays and players with the best stock companies in the country. Charles H. Stewart, the new general manager, has proven to be a valuable acquisition to the firm's executive forces.

Beginning Monday afternoon at the Lyceum Theatre, Charles H. Stewart will present *Twelfth Night* in a series of six performances. The play is a collection of French songs under the title, *Deux Soies de Chansons*. She will be assisted by M. Armand Forest, the violinist, and M. Hagerman, the pianist. The subsequent matinées will fall on Feb. 21, 22, 23, 24, 25 and March 1.

William A. Brady will produce *The Rake* at the Liberty Theatre March 1, with Edwin Arden, Tyrone Powers, Katherine Grey and Bijou Fernandez in leading roles. It promises to be a dashing novelty in dramatic productions.

A band of Little Sioux Indians from the Rosebud Agency will add "color" to some of the scenes.

**King For a Day, and not The Free Lance**, will be the title under which Klaw & Erlanger will produce the new John Phillip Sousa and Harry B. Smith operetta in Philadelphia. Late in January, John Cuthbertson, Alhart, Judd, George Lowrie and Nella Berger will have the principal parts.

The next play from the pen of George M. Cohan will be *It is said*, to be produced by Nat. C. Goodwin. It will be on the customary Cohanized lines of musical comedies, and Mr. Goodwin will have to sing.

Brown of Harvard, which the Messrs. Shubert were to produce at the Princess Theatre, will not be seen until Feb. 26. The title role will be played by Harry Woodruff.

Charles Frohman has signed contracts with Mrs. Edith Wharton and Clyde Fitch, by which the former is to play the ingenue of Mrs. Wharton's novel, *The House of Mirth*.

To provide a permanent resting place for the remains of the late Paul Dresser, his former friends and business associates are planning a memorial testimonial performance, to be given at the Criterion Theatre. A feature of the program will be tableaux and scenes illustrating Mr. Dresser's best known songs.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hill are home again after a successful tour of the English music halls. Mrs. Hill, professionally known as Ann Hill, soon begin a tour of the eastern vaudeville houses, but Harry will join the rest of the season. Harry Hill joins Gay New York as business manager.

Ethel Barrymore, now at the Criterion, in Alice-Sit-by-the-Fire, will remain there until March 3, and on March 6 Francis Wilson will present *The Mountain Climber* there.

Lawrence D'Orsay's engagement in Augustus Towne's *comedy* at the Embassy Ball, will be played at Daly's beginning March 5, instead of at the Lyceum.

Richard Mansfield's annual engagement at the New Amsterdam Theatre will begin March 19, with Schiller's *Don Carlos*.

The Buster Brown Amusement Co. have a handsome sum of offices in the Knickerbocker Building, and are to be here for the next season. Mattie Lockette, the well-known actress, has signed to create the new character, *Maryville*.

Harry R. Raymond continues to bask in the sunshine of Dame Fortune's smiles, for he is the source of a packed opening and large audiences for the engagement of Williams and Walker at the Majestic, which opens Tuesday evening, Feb. 20.

**CONGRATULATIONS IN ORDER**

Down at 66 Broadway everybody connected with the Traver Circle Swing Co. is in good humor, not alone because of the bright prospects of the new season, but because the motive for the comedy is highly amusing. Mrs. Nash and Beatrice Agnew, to whom have been entrusted these two essential roles, give a delightful performance. They enter into the romance with an art which is delightful.

The *Swing Co.* is changing. J. H. Bartel has put forward his best model, and provided an entertainment of the most pleasurable type. The satire upon the effects of modern melodramas and society plays, as shown in the *Swing Co.* is a clever sketch. She comes

in Alice-Sit-by-the-Fire, is broader life in which a woman may engage with a more gratifying sense of satisfaction and contentment. Miss Barrymore depicts the *Swing Co.* with an art which is delightful.

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The entire company has been carefully chosen, and the play is enacted with a snap and vivacity that has an auditor audience in admiration. President of the play, Louis Barrymore is featured in *Pantaloons*, a one-act combination of play and pantomime in which John Barrymore also appears. Thus in one evening the children, the lamented *Maud*, Barrymore, and the *Swing Co.* evidently shared my belief that the *Swing Co.* was the most interesting show in town while he is alive than to wait until afterwards for he writes to me thus: "I have known Mr. Ussell for the past sixteen years, we having herded cattle together in Western Nebraska, and he is a good man. He has been in the amusement business with me for past three years, and there is no one with whom I have ever associated in whom I placed so high confidence and esteem. He has been very successful in this business, and has very bright prospects for the future."

## BUSY BUSTER BROWN

To be in two places at once has generally been considered an impossibility, hence to be in four places at once is apt to create an unchallenged record. This Buster Brown promises to do. When the popular youngster first saw the light it was R. F. Outcault who "presented" him in the Sunday supplements to the world. The boy, who was then about a couple of weeks ago the contract which Outcault had with the *New York Journal*, has bobbed up in *The New York Journal*, also appearing simultaneously in *Play World*, *Home*, *Play*, *the Nickel*, and *the Herald*. He is urged all actors to become familiar with the amateur and modern methods of fence, which they wished to avoid and avoid, in their stage fights. The lecture, which was open to all members of the dramatic profession was largely attended and remarks of the speaker were listened to with the closest attention.

## GEORGE WASHINGTON, JR.

While I am not so great an admirer of George M. Cohan as is the *Record-Herald*, I honestly believe that before his day as a play writer, songwriter and producer of popular stage literature shall end he will have eclipsed the late and hitherto incomparable Charles H. Hoyt, and he shall do that he will surely be entitled to the laurels of a Shakespeare of musical comedy. This is written as a preface to a candid opinion that George Washington, Jr., is not the equal of George Cohan.

As an interesting play, viewed solely as a literary effort of engaging merit, George Washington, Jr., is not on par with *Forty-Five Minutes* or *Little Johnny Jones*. The musical value of the new piece is not imbedded with the same popular value as are the principal songs of the two hits which he just previously turned out. The hit of George Washington, Jr., is "The Grand Old Bag," and it is a masterpiece, more brilliant than popular lips and tongue man can make. He will, however, be principally because of the glorious emblem of our Nation which inspired it.

Let me one who has perused this personal opinion, be edified to the thought that George Washington, Jr., is not the equal of George Cohan.

The Prince of India continued to splendid business at the Colonial, and the massive production is attracting attention far and wide. Great appreciation and interest in grasping the various scenes and characters.

Railroad excursions are now being arranged in adjacent cities in order to enable a large number of outsiders to see the Chicago production.

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WM. F. RIFE



Wm. F. Rife, one of the managers of the Holiday Street Theatre, Baltimore, Md., is making quite an enviable record for himself in that capacity. He began his theatrical career as treasurer, and his coolness and geniality is one of his distinct traits. He is exceedingly intelligent and possesses a remarkable business experience for one so young.

When the passengers have been comfortably seated in handsomely furnished and richly upholstered observation cars of the regulation type, a dapper conductor in uniform calls out "All aboard," the whistle blows, the bell rings and the grinding of the wheels is felt.

The passengers' journey begins on a train vibrating like the Empire State Express and swaying from side to side as it rounds the curves. The merry passengers journey along in the shadow of towering mountains, under precipitous cliffs, over high ledges, through tunnels and gorges, thus insuring a wide variety of swaying granite, beautiful forests, wonderful fields of corn, cotton, coffee and the like. Then quick as a flash, the passengers ride through mountains of snow, and another instant they are in the city of New York, Paris, London, Chicago, San Francisco or any great city in the world, enjoying a trip on street car or automobile. Suddenly they arrive at their starting point and are conducted into the open air.

The Georgebread Man pleased large audiences at the Grand all last week, and has entered into its second week's engagement. The piece has been happily characterized as an unusually diverting bit of nonsense with pretty music and dancing. The company, Nellie Lynch, a Chicago girl, has proved a big favorite by her clever dancing.

The Way to Kenmare has also pointed the way to McVicker's all last week, and Andrew Mack and his company have played to overflowing houses. Mr. Mack's play has been a smash hit, and the critics are unanimous in their opinion that it will be a hit.

As there is unquestionably a great demand for articles of this kind during entrances, it would seem that the managers are erring only from a desire to provide a convenience for their particular audience, visit East.

Notice that the presentation is made by a company of stars.

The route list is the most complete. To this the news items are interesting and full.

The heavy fall of snow has somewhat interfered with work on the new attractions at Coney Island.

Archie N. Shepard's Moving Picture Show continues to draw large crowds to the Majestic Sunday nights.

Three Leithians, who recently closed with Dorothy to enter vaudeville, made so great a hit at the Gotham Theatre recently that Percy G. Williams booked them for his entire circuit.

Col. Percy G. Williams is the press agent of Payton's Lee Avenue Theatre, making good.

The Four Lukens have returned from Europe, and are playing the Percy Williams Circuit.

The advance sale for the College Widow which comes to Teller's Broadway Feb. 29 is very large. Maxine Elliott is doing big business this week.

Col. Charles W. Parker, of Allentown, Kan., writes me as follows: "I have closed for the exclusive right to build the portable attraction, known as Hale's Tours of the World. In the United States, Canada and Mexico. We will begin building several shows at once."

JOHN RINGLING ARRIVES

Fresh and ruddy after a six weeks' tour of Germany, France, England, Italy and Spain, John Ringling arrived in Chicago Thursday, Jan. 15. No sooner had he set foot on Chicago soil than he was besieged by half a dozen enterprising newspaper reporters and an inking of what the patrons of the World's Greatest Shows might expect as the result of Mr. Ringling's search for ardent novelties abroad.

"It would be a bit premature to announce the good things the *Majestic* Ringling is doing for the good things the *Majestic* Ringling is doing, but it is permitted to state that a number of great European features will be given their American premiere at the forthcoming Chicago engagement.

From present indications it is apparent that Al. Ringling, equestrian director par excellence, is preparing a circus program that may be justly termed "new."

## MAGESTIC'S FAME SPREADS

Chicago's leading vaudeville theatre, the famous *Majestic*, with all the improvements and appliances known to the trade, and its pest control, construction and service, has and its praises noised abroad in such forcible manner that no less personages than the Emperor of Germany and the President of France have sent commissioners direct to Chicago to inspect the management.

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Frank C. Cooper, the well-known theatrical advance agent, was compelled, in self-defense, to shoot a man named Smith at Danville, Ill., on Dec. 27. Smith died four days later. Cooper is now in jail on a charge of murder. He is entirely without funds with which to prepare a defense. At the request of several of his intimate friends, The Billboard is raising a fund for that purpose. All subscriptions will be promptly acknowledged and forwarded to the treasurer of the fund, Mr. U. J. Herrmann, Chicago, Ill.

## Contributions Received

The Billboard ..... \$15.00  
W. H. Donaldson ..... 10.00  
Donaldson Litho. Co. ..... 10.00

Mr. Cooper has received the following contributions direct:

Levi Washburn ..... \$10.00

Jack Symonds and members of the Du-  
mont Minstrels ..... 5.00

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## MEACHAMS CANCEL DATES

Owing to the illness of Mrs. E. F. Meacham, the Marvelous Marchioness, and rifle shots, have canceled all their western tour. Mrs. Meacham is taking treatment for her nose and eyes in Des Moines, Ia. The team hopes to resume work April 1.

## RIP VAN WINKLE CO. CLOSED

Because of the death of Mrs. L. L. Leon at the St. Joseph Hospital, Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 12, the Blondin & Leon Rip Van Winkle Co. has closed. Plans for reorganization are under consideration, but at this time the management has nothing of a definite nature to announce.

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Bijou Theatre (Jake Wells, mgr.) Down the Pike 12; good business and show. My Tom Boy Girl week 19.

Star Theatre (J. B. Thompson, mgr.) Burlesque and vaudeville drew well week 12.

Alhambra 9; fair performance and fine business. The Eternal City 12-13; Spangles 17; Adelaide Thurston 28.

Star (B. Mitchell, mgr.) Fine vaudeville and burlesque week 12.

ROME—Opera House (Jas. B. Nevin, mgr.) Hollingsworth Twins 12-16; Rajah of Bhong 17; Harris Parkinson Stock Co. 19-26.

## ILLINOIS

CHICAGO—Illinois Theatre (Will J. Davis, mgr.) Week 18; Pearl and the Pumpkin. Grand Opera House (Harry Askin, mgr.) Week 19; The Gingerbread Man.

Power Theatre (Harry Powers, mgr.) Week 19; The Land and the Moon.

Globe Theatre (S. P. Gerson, mgr.) Week 19.

The Heart of Maryland (Geo. W. Lederer, mgr.) Week 19.

The Prince of India (Geo. W. Lederer, mgr.) Week 19.

West End Theatre (Charles C. Warren, bus. mgr.) Week 19; Andrew Mack in the Way to Kemnare.

Great Northern Theatre (P. G. Hobart, mgr.) Week 19; Eddie Day in The Scars of Aventura.

LaSalle Theatre (M. H. Singer, mgr.) Week 19.

CecilLean in the Umpire.

Chicago Opera House (Kohl &amp; Castle, mgrs.) Week 19; Stella Mayhew in Coming True the Day.

Majestic Theatre (Lyman B. Glover, mgr.) Week 19; Agout Family, Wilfred Clarke and Co., Edna Farnsworth, Thorne and Carter, Keno, Welch and Melrose, Nelson-Barry, The Winkles, Zelma, Warren Trio, and Geo. K. Spoor's Kindrome.

Olympic Theatre (A. Jacobs, mgr.) Week 19; Kloes Sisters, Navajo Girls, Laura Burt, and Co., Rosalinda Sisters and Co., Tom Brown, Peter Morrison and Peter Chester, Will and Camille Bohm, Marzella Frank, Wilson, Hart Bros. and Geo. K. Spoor's Kindrome.

Harvard Theatre (W. W. Farnsworth, mgr. for Kohl &amp; Castle) Week 19; Bob Coghill and Co., Fanny Rice, Four Bells, World's Comedy Four, Clifford and Burke, Fredo and Dure, Hammond and Forrester, George and May Woodward, Claude Bant, Andrews and Field, Kippy, Clifton, Clegg, Clegg Sisters, and Feld, Kip's, Spoor's Kindrome.

SPRINGFIELD—Chatterton Theatre (Geo. W. Chatterton, mgr.) The Home Seekers 7; fair business and show. Texas Rangers 9; fair show and performance. Bankers and Brokers 11; fair show and business. Pauline's Opera Co. 11; fair business and good performance. The Clansman 12; good business. Land of Nod 13; capacity business.

Empire Theatre (C. C. Flink, mgr.) The Ringers, Manuel Fernandez, Carlie Wimmers, Santoro and Marlow and others week 12; good business.

COSTELLO—Grand Opera House (Geo. O. Sacco, mgr.) Eight Lells 6; good show and fair business. Eight Bells 7; good business and fair performance. Grace George 8; good show and fine business. Charity Ball 9; good business. The Emperor 10; good business.

The Phoenix 12; good business.

The Shadow Behind the Throne 13; it happened in Nordland 16; That Little Swede 17.

Bijou Theatre (A. J. Shimp, mgr.) Leon W. Lewis and Shean, Miss Dorothy Dorn, John and Bert Saunders and others week 12; good business.

Empire Theatre (W. W. Farnsworth, mgr.) Week 19; vaudeville and 20th Century Opticals.

COLUMBUS—Shadows of a Great City.

Empire Theatre (Weber Bros., mgrs.) Week 19; Shadows of a Great City.

Howard Theatre. Vaudeville.

Alabama Theatre (James H. Browne, mgr.) Week 19; Traveled Around the World.

Academy of Music (Will J. Davis, mgr.) Week 19; Queen of the Convicts.

Bijou Theatre (Wm. Roche, mgr.) Week 19; Fighting Fate.

Silk Stockings Theatre (Sid. J. Eason, mgr.) Week 19; The Gold Diggers in the Passionate Love and Life in Salt Lake; Jack Dougherty, Christiana Trio, Mitchell and Love.

Troadero Theatre (Harry H. Hedges, mgr.) Week 19; European Sensation Burlesques in Schultz's Hotel.

Folly Theatre (James A. Fennelly, mgr.) Week 19; burlesque.

Clark St. Museum (Louis M. Hedges, mgr.) Clark Hall and Theatre.

London Drama Museum (Wm. J. Sweeney, mgr.) Week 19; Curio Hall and Theatre.

WARREN A. PATERSON.

BLOOMINGTON—Grand Opera House (Frank Winkler, mgr.) Primrose Minstrels 12; good business and performance. Land of Nod 14; Babies in Toyland 15.

CHAMPAIGN—Walker Opera House (C. F. Hamilton, mgr.) Black Patti 6; pleased good business. The Clansman 8; good business and performance. The Ringers 10; fair business and show. Howard Dorset Co. week 12; good business and performance. Babies in Toyland 20; The College Widow March 1.

DANVILLE—Grand Opera House (W. L. Kelly, mgr.) Black Patti 12; fair business.

Babies in Toyland 12; fair business and show.

Roselle Knott 9; S. R. O. Royal Vaudeville Co. 10.

Bijou Theatre (H. C. Englewood, mgr.) Tom West and Marie Larerne, Frank Will, Gierson Sisters, Stapleton and Chaney and others week 12.

DECATUR—Bower's Theatre (J. F. Given, mgr.) Andrew Mack 5; pleased good business.

Babies in Toyland 12; fair business.

Roselle Knott 9; S. R. O. Royal Vaudeville Co. 10.

Bijou Theatre (F. E. Payden, mgr.) Harry Gerson Brothers, The Pierces and others week 12; business fine.

GALESBURG—Auditorium Theatre (Dr. L. T. Dorsey, mgr.) Eva Tanay 7; good show and business.

King of Tramps 8; fair show and business.

Miss Bob White 9; good business.

The Clansman 10; Duke of Killermane 21; Arizona 23; Duke of Killermane 27.

Bijou Theatre (Geo. S. Gifford, mgr.) Carson and Willard, Foster and Foster, Castalt and Hall, Cora Beech Turner, The Pierres, Pope, and others week 12; business good.

Titusville Opera House (T. A. Pedlar, mgr.) Arnold Daly 12; fair business. The Land of Nod 15-16; excellent business. Babies in Toyland 17; Just Out of College 20; Margaret Neville 20; and week 22.

MUSKOGEE—Hillside Theatre (W. L. Hinman, mgr.) Dora Thorne 10; pleased big reactors. Stoops to Conquer 14; Mahara's Minstrels 17.

SOUTHERN—McAlester—Langdale Opera House (A. B. Estes, mgr.) National Guards 4; fair business and good show. Les Moisquetaires (evening) 4; fine show and business.

Williams Theatre (G. W. Williams, mgr.) San Toy 3; pleased excellent business.

Relay Theatre (A. B. Estes, mgr.) Carson and Willard, Foster and Foster, Castalt and Hall, Cora Beech Turner, The Pierres, Pope, and others week 12; business good.

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FRANKFORT—Bliss Theatre (L. W. Hulford, mgr.) Old Tom 14; Copeland Bros. Stock Co. 19-21; Uncle Tom 21; Sign of the Four 24; The Clansman 25; Miss Bob White 24; Grace Tatters 26; Roselle Knott 28; His Highness the Bey 29; Our New Minister 6; The Lumberjacks 8; Four Huntings 9; Al. G. Field's Minstrels 7.

IOWA—Foster's Opera House (Wm. Foster, mgr.) Wizard of Oz 10; good business and performance. Paul Ganson 12; good business and performance. The Clansman 13-14; Lewis Morrison 23; Miss Bob White 24; Grace George 26; York and Adams 27; The Pink Hairs 28; Lew Fields March 5-6; Al. G. Field's Minstrels 7.

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JOLIET—Joliet Theatre (J. T. Henderson, mgr.) Smith's Vaudeville Co. 7; fair show and business.

Bebe in Toyland 10; good show and business.

A Bunch of Keys 11; pleased capacity business. The Fool House 12; Paul Jones Opera Co. 13.

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PEORIA—Grand Opera House (Chamberlain &amp; Harrington, mgrs.) The Gingerbread Man.

Grand Opera House (Wm. Foster, mgr.) The Lighthouse by the Sea 10-11; good business and performance. Sherlock Holmes 11-14; good show and business.

Nobdy's Claim 15-21; Slave of the Mine 22-23; When I'm on Love 24-25; The Way of the World 26.

OTTAWA—Bohraugh Opera House (S. R. Hubbard, mgr.) The Old Homestead 8; pleased good business.

The Wizard of Oz 10; pleased good business. Uncle Josh Sprucey 15-17; People's Theatre (Chas. Cunningham, mgr.) The Wizard of Oz 18-21; Slave of the Mine 22-23; When I'm on Love 24-25; The Way of the World 26.

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Capt. W. O. (Billy) Nichols, the Napoleon of all animal trainers, has been engaged by M. T. Clark, manager of the Younger Brothers' "W. W. Shows" for the coming season. Capt. Nichols is now at winter quarters in Oklahoma, and has in preparation an act that will undoubtedly stand alone this season, as it is the only one of its kind yet presented. It consists of forty-five long-horned Texas steers being educated to perform one of the most difficult feats so far attempted by any animal trainer. Special paper has been ordered, featuring Capt. Nichols and his trained steers, to give this act as much publicity in the rural districts as possible, calling the attention of the farmers and stock raisers to the fine breed of cattle and the difficult task they perform. The steers are from the famous "B" ranch of the Younger Brothers, which is considered as one of the largest and best equipped "outens" in the Territory.

Everything is lively around Terrace Park, Ohio, where the Robinson Show's big winter quarters are located. All of the new wagons are now finished, and the two new band wagons which have been added are the most handsome that will be on the road this season. Everything is assuming a brilliant effect, and when the big show takes to the road the coming season it will be bigger, better and grander than ever.

Skyler Clark and wife are wintering at Arcata, Cal., where Mrs. Clark is recuperating from a recent attack of pneumonia. Sky writes in glowing terms of the beauties of the land of sunshine, fruit and flowers, and conveys the intelligence that Mrs. Clark is fast regaining her wonted good health.

Fred Buchanan spent several days in Chicago last week securing attractions for the Younger Robinson Circus, which promises to be one of the finest wagon shows ever put on the road.

We are pleased to announce the engagement of Owen W. Doud as press representative for the Cummings Wild West Exhibition Co. season 1906. Doud writes good copy and is always welcomed by newspaper men.

The Flying Fishers, aerialists, who have been headliners with the Ringling Shows for several years, are now continuing with the Younger Brothers' Circus. They go with the Younger-Sells Show this season.

The Devilin Zouaves left their home in Jackson Mich. last week for Paris, where they play at the Folies Bergere prior to opening with the Buffalo Bill Show. Capt. Devilin would like to hear from his friends.

Ellen Richards is with the Circus Trevino in Mexico filling a year's contract. The show, she says, is doing good business. Others on the bill are Eddie Foy, the Orlon Troupe, Ostrader, and Coggswell.

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The Flying Fishers are hard at work in Brazil. It is a big act for the Foreign-Sells Show this season. Last season these people were with the Campbell Brothers Show.

Richard F. Schneider, late of the Wallace Show, please send your address to Lawrence Hanley, general delivery, Birmingham, Ala., who has an important message for you.

The many friends of M. S. Bodkin will be pleased to learn that he is confined to his bed at his home 312 Wabash avenue, Chicago, with a severe attack of illness.

Otto Weaver has signed with the Campbell Show for the coming season. His act is to be well received at present over the Central Valley Circuit.

C. N. Thompson, manager of the C. G. Hagenbeck Greater Shows, has signed C. G. Hagenbeck and his Concert Band of thirty-four musicians for this season.

J. N. (Cricket) McClellan.—There is a letter in the Billboard office for you, David E. Imber is wintering at 608 Bush street, Ft. Worth, Tex.

Darwin C. Hawn, late of the Barnum & Bailey and the Forepaugh-Sells Shows, has signed as general superintendent of the Cummins Wild West.

After a successful season of thirty-eight weeks with the Riddle Southern Carnival Co., the T. O. Arnolds have joined the Cole & Rogers' "W. W. Shows" this season.

Paul Spiering (Cincie) writes that he will be with the Buffalo Bill Show again the coming season. He is wintering in Marseilles, France.

Kild Koster has not signed as general agent with the Pawnee Bill Show as was stated in another theatrical paper last week.

H. C. Macey, "the needle king," will be a side show feature with the Carl Hagenbeck Shows this season.

W. J. Langer has signed with the Cole Brothers Show to do his bounding wire this season.

Capt. Dimitri's Russian Cossacks will be with the Jones Railroad Shows this season.

J. C. Warren has signed with the Kennedy Wild West as player and general announcer.

Mr. Ed. C. Knapp, general agent of Cole Bros. Shows, was a Billboard caller Feb. 13.

James McHugh, of Columbus, is building the seats for the Cummins Wild West.

Nobby Clark is wintering in Jersey City and partaking of the joys of Gotham.

E. C. Monce will have the No. 1 car with the Pawnee Bill Show this season.

Geo. Burkhardt and wife have signed to go with the Jones Enormous Shows. The Crosbys have signed with the Wallace Show for the coming season.

Col. I. V. Strebig was a Billboard caller Feb. 14.

### ROUTES

(Continued from page 19.)

Alene in the World: Annapolis, Md., 19-24. Angel's Comedians: Ada, Okla., 19-24. Arrival of Kitti: C. S. Williams Co., mgrs.: New York, N. Y., 22; Lyons, 23; Geneva, 24; Peoria, 25; Patmyra, 27; Bath, 28. At Cripple Creek (E. J. Carpenter's): Montana, 21; San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, 22; Ventura, 23; Pueblo, 25-Mar. 3. Arrived in the Service: Sam, A. M. Woods, mgr.: Hoboken, N. J., 19-21; Camden, 22-24; New Haven, Conn., 26-28. Allen, Viola, C. W. Allen, mgr.: Buffalo, N. Y., 19-21; Rochester, 22-23; Ithaca, 24; Brooklyn, 26-Mar. 3. Cook-Church Stock Co.: H. W. Taylor, mgr.: W. W. Fuller, mgr.: Philadelphia, Pa., 19-24. Across the Pacific (Chas. E. Blaney's): Newark, N. J., 25-Mar. 3. As Told in the Hills: W. F. Mann, mgr.: Alameda, Calif., 19-22; Stenhouse, 22-24; McKeever, 24-26; Johnstone, 27; Mountain Man: 1; Shambra, 19-21; Elizabeth, 22; New York City, 26-28. At the Ranch: W. H. R. Allen, mgr.: Buffalo, N. Y., 19-21; Rochester, 22-23; Ithaca, 24; Brooklyn, 26-Mar. 3. 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## GALVESTON'S NEW ONE

The Galveston Electric Park Amusement Co. will shortly be incorporated, all the incorporators being from Galveston, Tex. The new Electric Park which is soon to be constructed will be the largest and most elaborate in the southwest. A bathing beach with one hundred and forty bath houses will be a special feature. A large roof garden will also be built and will contain a spacious skating rink and many minor attractions. Two large and elaborate attractions will be the grand organ and a scenic railway. All buildings will be painted white and everything will be made to harmonize. David Wels is now in communication with New York in an effort to get first-class attractions.

## PARK NOTES

Considerable money is to be spent in improvements on Hyde Park, Muskogee, I. T., the coming season. The park is situated along the Arkansas River and is a picturesque one. The new building is to be a modern one and its seating capacity is now two thousand. Among other important additions will be a penny arcade, natatorium, skating rink, merry-go-round, boat-house, etc. No expense is to be spared in making Hyde Park one of the best resorts in the country. It will open its season April 16, and Manager A. A. Kinney solicits correspondence from managers of theatres and park concessions.

Dream City is the title of a new amusement resort being constructed in Pittsburgh, Pa. It will be twenty acres large and contain all modern outdoor amusement devices including roller skating, dancing, banding, etc. A Trip to the Moon. The new park will be under the management of W. F. Hamilton who is laying out the buildings of the new resort and who is claimed to be unequalled as an amusement park promoter.

Jake Schwartz, the enterprising manager of Rosen Heights White City, Ft. Worth, Tex., has got up an old building around his enterprise. Rosen Heights is only a six minute car ride from the centre of Ft. Worth and it consists of thirty-five acres of ground.

Manager James E. Moles, of Suburban Park, Vicksburg, Miss., writes that he is making many important improvements on his resort. He predicts a banner season for 1906, and will give his patrons the best of everything.

When Fern Lake Park, Ft. Scott, Kan., opens its season it will have one of the finest inland bathing beaches in the southwest. Besides this many other new features have been added.

Manager William Sharp, of Ponce de Leon Park, Atlanta, Ga., has been aquatized of the charge of operating amusements at the resort on Sunday.

Mr. Charles H. Moody has leased for 1906 the Woodlake Casino, which lies between Sherman and Denison, Tex.

Charley Carb is secretary of the Rosen Heights Amusement Co., of Ft. Worth, Tex.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

New York City, Feb. 10, 1906.

EDITOR THE BILLBOARD,

Dear Sir—Articles in the Pittsburgh newspaper and in theatrical periodicals tell of an arrangement made by Frederick Ingersoll, of Pittsburgh, whereby "all the big acts from the New York Hippodrome will come to Luna Park, Pittsburg." Will you kindly discredit the statement in the paper of Monday, Feb. 12, that Dundy, owners of Luna Park, Coney Island, and managing directors of the New York Hippodrome? No alliance or agreement of any kind has been entered into between the New York Hippodrome and Mr. Ingersoll. No contract was made when the name "Luna Park" was appropriated without request or acknowledgment, but the present announcement is one so boldly and brazenly untrue that it seems to us to warrant a protest in behalf of a deceived public and a world.

Very truly,

THOMPSON & DUNDY.

## STREET FAIRS

## CARNIVALS

## FERARI BROS DISSOLVE

The well known Ferari Brothers Shows, until undergoing great changes due to the dissolution of the partnership of the two sole owners Col. Francis Ferari and Jos. G. Ferari. The former will no longer be connected with the above company, and it seems probable that his name and show will be soon dropped from the popular beaches in the vicinity of New York City, the coming season. Col. Ferari is at present in the East making the necessary arrangements for the transportation of the entire show which will take place in a few weeks. The location so far has not been made public.

## RAVER'S NEW ATTRACTION

J. Frank Hatch Show will feature its trained Animal Arena this season. The four animals will have been doing the largest business in many years. We carry fifteen people and travel in our own special car. The camp consists of ten lady palmists, two clairvoyants, two gentlemen phrenologists and Queen Zenona.

Speedy, the well-known high diver, is in South Africa, making a tremendous hit with the Frank Ellis Circus. He will return to this country in July, and will be featured with the Francis Ferari Show.

RAVER'S NEW ATTRACTION

H. R. Raver has voluntarily relinquished his interests in Beautiful Bagdad, his title, properties and progress to Mr. J. A. Darnaby, his

W. F. Stanley and Wm. Linn are now sole owners of the European Amusement Co., A. A. Hatcher having sold his interest in the enterprise Feb. 7. The company will carry six cars after April 1, and will have a series of open tour made at once. The company's winter tour has proven most successful.

C. B. DeWitt, secretary of The Woodmen of the World Log Rolling and Spring Carnival, to be held in Mineral Wells, Tex., April 2-7. The enterprise is to be held on the spectacular lines. Three hundred people and horses will be used in the new enterprise. Also three car loads of scenery, etc. The amphitheatre will be arranged to seat 3,000 people, two shows being given daily.

former partner. The New Parker Amusement Co. will produce an entirely new spectacle entitled, "North America," and it promises to be a unique and things never before presented along the spectacular lines. Three hundred people and horses will be used in the new enterprise. Also three car loads of scenery, etc. The amphitheatre will be arranged to seat 3,000 people, two shows being given daily.

## LEW NICHOLS



Dick A. Fulton, of the Fulton Novelty Electric Co., was in Mena, Ark., last week getting in line of putting his show, and reports good business through Arkansas and Indian Territory.

Sydney Wire is with the Ferrari Show in the capacity of general agent. Mr. Wire is the originator of a new and novel midway attraction. He intends to remain with the Ferrari Show.

C. E. Davenport, the carnival and show man is at his home in Johnston, Pa., where he is manufacturing a very successful game The Royal Boly Store and is doing fine.

James M. Benson wishes to thank his friends for the many excellent offers they have made him. He is under contract with the Smith Greater Amusement Co. until 1907.

E. C. Meredith writes: Having given up the building, I am shown I will retain my position with The Smith Greater Amusement Co. for the season 1906.

Frank D. Sturgis, known as Gloomy Gus, who was last season with Madam Carmen, has rejoined her. She is with The Hampshire Amusement Co.

Geo. LaRose of the LaRose Electric Fountain is spending the winter at his home in Ft. Scott, Kan., after concluding a road tour of thirty weeks.

Frank L. Alberts was in Toledo, O., recently, in the interest of Talbot's Big Spectacle, Fighting the Flames.

Roy Knabenshue, the young aeronaut, is in Los Angeles, Cal., experimenting with his new airship.

H. H. Tipps is again with The Royal Amusement Co., and reports big business.

## ZAINO



Proprietor and manager of the Nichols Amusement Co., now playing to good business in the south.

## STREET FAIR NOTES

Notes from The Congress of Trained Animals and Circus of Peru. Under the management of Arthur and Everett we are playing in towns in southern Indian Territory and Texas with good results. The company will be out until March 15, after which it goes into winter quarters for six weeks, when we will break in stock for our big show which we will put out the coming season. Our attractions are Everett's Marionettes, Dogs and Monkeys, Sutherland Sisters, Thomas' Moving Pictures, Mrs. Everett's Magic and Spirit Cabinet, and others.

The Wyandotte Aerie, No. 87, of Kansas City, Mo., gave its annual entertainment Feb. 8, and it was a grand success. About eight hundred members were present, and all thoroughly enjoyed the program which consisted of a band, vocal and instrumental pictures furnished by J. T. Porter. Mr. Porter deserves much praise, as his pictures were first-class and up-to-date in every detail. After the entertainment refreshments were served and the festivities ended in a grand ball.

The Burrell Carnival Co. which disbanded in Hornbeck, La., has been reorganized and is now under the management of Sam. Singer. It will have an open town in New York, April 1, and is carrying the following shows: Palace of Wonders, Vanderville Theatre, The Old Plantation, Snake Show and a merry-go-round. They are doing nice business at two and three day stands, and are headed for the north, where they expect to reach by the last of April.

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## FERARI BROS DISSOLVE

The well known Ferari Brothers Shows, until undergoing great changes due to the dissolution of the partnership of the two sole owners Col. Francis Ferari and Jos. G. Ferari. The former will no longer be connected with the above company, and it seems probable that his name and show will be soon dropped from the popular beaches in the vicinity of New York City, the coming season. Col. Ferari is at present in the East making the necessary arrangements for the transportation of the entire show which will take place in a few weeks. The location so far has not been made public.

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The four animals will have been doing

the largest business in many years. We carry fifteen people and travel in our own special car. The camp consists of ten lady palmists, two clairvoyants, two gentlemen phrenologists and Queen Zenona.

COLUMBUS DOINGS

The Pearl and the Pumpkin played to large and appreciative audiences at the Great Southern week of Feb. 6. Wright Lorimer sold out.

During the first half of the week at the Grand Opera House Chas. Grapewin scored in It's Up to You, John Henry. Eddie Fay in The Belle of Avenue. Eddie Ailert on the week.

The Pittsburg Orchestra, under Paul

Chimney Fadden pleased fair-sized audiences at the Empire week of Feb. 5. This popular playhouse has won all the theatregoers because the management spared neither expense nor effort when the well known the public is at stake.

The Keltiners report unqualified success in their new act, entitled A Coon Servant. Their time is well booked.

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Palm Garden (C. W. Kelly, mgr.) Vanderville continues to draw well.

CIRCLEVILLE—Grand Opera House (W. H. Cutler, mgr.) Our New Minister 8; good show and audience. The Holy City 16; Our New Minister 21.

COSHOTON—Sixth St. Theatre (J. P. Calahan, mgr.) Irish Pawnbrokers 2; fair business. The Once Boy 6; big business and good show. The Sheaf 12; good business; canceled. Guy Stock Co. week 12; S. E. O. Under Southern Skies 19; Vanderville 22.

DAYTON—Victoria Theatre (G. C. Miller, eng.) Eleanor Robson 12; S. E. O. and good performance. Olga Peacock 14; S. E. O. One Read 14; comedy business. Roselle Knott 21; Just Out of College 23; The Tenderfoot 24.

National Theatre (G. H. Burrows, mgr.) Queen of the Highlands 5; good business. David Harms 12-14; good business. The Factory Girl 19-21; 17; good business.

DENISON—Opera House (Geo. T. Bliss, eng.) Dixie Jollies Singers 20; large house. An Aristocratic Tramp 14; pleased fair busi-

ness. The Kembles 14; good business.

FONDREN—Andie's Up to You (John Henry 9; good show and packed house. The Marquis of Tramps 14; good show and show. McFadden's Flats 14; Prince of Pilson 17; Custer's Last Fight 17.

GALVESTON—Majestic Theatre (J. M. Edwards, eng.) The Street Singer 8; fair business. Jervois Stock Co. week 12; good business and shows. The Village Telegraph 14; business Uncle Josh Perkins 17; Black Patti 23; Dona Thorne March 2; Great LaFayette 24.

ILLINOIS—Bell's Opera House (W. F. Ayres, eng.) Our New Minister 10; good busi-

ness. A Romance of Coon Hollow 14; Our New Minister 19; The Holy City 21.

IRVINGTON—Masonic Theatre (G. R. Riley, eng.) The Sheaf 10; pleased fair busi-

ness. The Holy City 13; Under Southern Skies 16; When London Sleeps 17.

KENTON—Grand Opera House (Henry Dickson, mgr.) Dora Thorne 15; Hank Monk 23; Our New Minister 19.

NEW YORK—Park Theatre (H. L. Bowes, eng.) Home and Juliet 7; excellent show and good business.

NEW PHILADELPHIA—Union Opera House (Geo. W. Williams, eng.) The Office Boy 6;

13; good show and business. As Told in the Hills 13; Under Southern Skies 20; The Clay Baker 24.

NEW YORK—Auditorium (Johnson & Metcalf, eng.) Darling of the Gods 5; good business. Marriage of Kitty 6; pleased fair business. Along the Kennebec 10; big business.

OKLAHOMA CITY—Overholser Opera House (Ed. Overholser, mgr.) The Royal Slave 9; fair business. Pretty Peggy 10-11; good show and business. National Grand Opera Co. 12; good business.

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NILES—Verbeck Theatre (M. R. Williams, eng.) The Village Fool 7; good show and performance. Tenor of the Month 12; Under Southern Skies 20; The Clay Baker 24.

NORFOLK—Henry's Opera House (A. G. Henry, eng.) Peck's Bad Boy 13; Alvin Joslin 16.

PIQUA—May's Opera House (Chas. A. May, eng.) The Girl 6; pleased fair audience. Up to You (John Henry 8; good business and excellent performance. Little Johnny Boys 10; pleased large patronage. The Beauty Doctor 13; pleased fair returns. Mrs. Fluke 14; 15; The Girl in Coon Town 24; Mrs. Trimpe's Teal 25.

RICHWOOD—Opera House (R. L. Albright, eng.) Texas Sweethearts 7; fair business. The Clay Baker 13; big business.

ROCKFORD—Opera House (John & Smith, eng.) The Irish Pawnbrokers 8; fair business. The Village Fool 12; canceled. Vanderville 12; good business. Human Hearts 13; The Little Homestead 17; Mrs. Fluke 16; What Happened to You 17.

SPRINGFIELD—Grand Opera House (L. J. Dallie, eng.) Vanderville Jan. 29-31; good business. Primrose Minstrels 1; fair show and excellent business. Mrs. Temple's Tavern 2; good business.

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ST. LOUIS—Academy of Music (E. H. Norris, eng.) Sunny South 8; fair business.

SEAWANEE—Theatre (D. I. Verhine, eng.) Breckinridge Stock Co. week 22; pleased good business. Majestic Stock Co. Feb. 5-7; business and performance.

SEWANEE—Brooks' Opera House (J. M. Brooks, eng.) Paul Gilmore 2; good show and business. The Fortune Teller 5; good performance and fair returns. National Grand Opera Co. 8; good business and company.

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Bijou Theatre (Chas. McKe, mgr.) The Boy Behind the Gun 5; good returns. Holly Tones 12.

ROANOKE—Academy of Music (Harry Bruson, mgr.) Tenderfoot 13; good show and business. The Chaperones 14; good show and business. Major of Tokio 22.

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### WASHINGTON

Grand Theatre (Geo. C. Ellison, mgr.) Ralph Cummins & Co. Four Robert's Drills, Diamond Girls and the Boys 12; fine business.

SHAW THEATRE—Seattle Theatre (Jno. Cort, mgr.) The County Chairman week 11; business and performance excellent.

Third Avenue Theatre (Drew & Campbell, mrs.) Hooligan in New York week 11; business.

Orpheum Theatre. Four Roberts, De Roos and Excelsa, Orde and Nelman, Lillian Melbourne and W. H. Stetson and others week 11; business and bill fine.

SEASIDE THEATRE (Jno. Cort, mgr.) Yankee Seaside 12; good performance and excellent business.

Pantages Theatre. Business and bill good week 12.

Star Theatre. Vaudeville attracted good business last week.

Central Theatre. Good business and excellent vaudeville was the rule week 11.

HAMILTON—Beck's Theatre (A. G. Sennett, mgr.) The Moonshiner's Daughter 13; Hooligan in New York 14.

COLFAX—Ridgeway Theatre (Geo. H. Lennox, mgr.) Chas. B. Hanford 7; excellent performance and good returns.

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FARMVILLE—Opera House (Hart & Blanton, mrs.) Lyman Twins 6; excellent business and performance. Kersand's Minstrels 8; fair business. A Breezy Time 12.

HARRISONBURG—Opera House (W. A. P. Hart, mgr.) Lyman Twins Jan. 16; good business and performance. Railroad Jack Field 6; canceled. The Missouri Girl 27.

RICHMOND—Academy of Music (Chas. McKe, mgr.) The School Girl 10; good business and performance. Monte Cristo 7; fine show and business. The Tenderfoot 9-10; Spangles 12; Howe's Moving Pictures 13; Buster Brown 14.

Bijou Theatre (Chas. McKe, mgr.) The Boy Behind the Gun 5; good returns. Holly Tones 12.

ROANOKE—Academy of Music (Harry Bruson, mgr.) Tenderfoot 13; good show and business. The Chaperones 14; good show and business. Major of Tokio 22.

SOUTH BROWN—Bill Opera House (W. D. Hill, mgr.) A Breezy Time 10; good show and large patronage.

### WASHINGTON

Grand Theatre (Geo. C. Ellison, mgr.) Ralph Cummins & Co. Four Robert's Drills, Diamond Girls and the Boys 12; fine business.

SHAW THEATRE—Seattle Theatre (Jno. Cort, mgr.) The County Chairman week 11; business and performance excellent.

Third Avenue Theatre (Drew & Campbell, mrs.) Hooligan in New York week 11; business.

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Pantages Theatre. Business and bill good week 12.

Star Theatre. Vaudeville attracted good business last week.

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HAMILTON—Beck's Theatre (A. G. Sennett, mgr.) The Moonshiner's Daughter 13; Hooligan in New York 14.

COLFAX—Ridgeway Theatre (Geo. H. Lennox, mgr.) Chas. B. Hanford 7; excellent performance and good returns.

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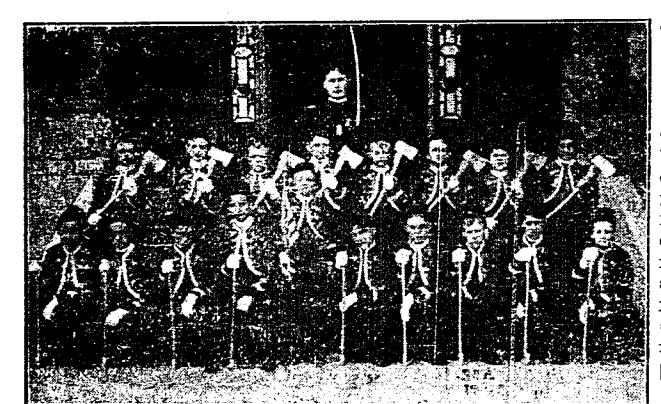
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Wayne—Ft. Wayne Assn. Fair. Sept. 18-22. John C. Peters, pres.; Dr. Wm. F. Myers, sec'y.

### ILLINOIS

Belleville—St. Clair Co. Fair. Oct. 26. Pres. Wm. Winklemann; Sec'y. Geo. Rechert; F. F. Leininger; Treas. Harry L. Leininger; Sec'y. Chas. F. Leininger; Pres. F. L. Moline—Ft. Leininger Fair. Feb. 17-18. W. A. Wood, sec'y.

Springfield—Illinois State Fair. Sept. 28-Oct. 1. W. C. Carrard, sec'y.

Urbana—Montgomery Co. Fair. Sept. 4-7. Wm. Dallenbach, pres.; W. W. Lindley, sec'y.

Warren—Union Agricultural Society 45th Annual Co. Fair. Aug. 14-17. R. G. Callen, sec'y.

### IAWA

Des Moines—Iowa State Fair. Aug. 24-31. J. C. Simpson, sec'y.

St. Louis—Iowa State Fair. Sept. 10-15. F. L. Eaton, pres.; F. L. Wurick, sec'y.

Victor Fair. Aug. 14-16. Chas. Baffenger, pres.; John Steffy, sec'y; J. P. Rowling, sec'y.

WHEELING—West Virginia State Fair. Sept. 10-14. A. Reymann, pres.; Geo. Hook, sec'y.

### CANADA

St. John's—Canada International Exhibition. Sept. 8-22. A. O. Skinner, pres.; J. F. Gleeson, sec'y.

### CONNECTICUT

Williamantic—Williamantic Fair. Sept. 18-20. Chas. A. Gates, pres.; Geo. S. Elliott, treas.; Truman R. Sudd, sec'y.

### ILLINOIS

Avon—Avon Fair. Sept. 11-14; Julian Church, III, sec'y.

Charleston—Coles Co. Fair. Aug. 28-Sept. 1. A. J. Craig, pres.; W. O. Glassco, sec'y.

Carlinville—Macoupin Co. Fair. Oct. 9-12. A. C. Campbell, pres.; A. M. Boring, treas.; Geo. J. Castle, sec'y.

Cambridge—Henry Co. Fair. Aug. 20-24. Theo. Bollenstein, sec'y.

El Paso—Woodford Co. Fair. J. P. Schifield, pres.; A. H. Waite, treas.; J. R. Bowser, sec'y.

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Miami—Dade Co. Agrl. Fair. March 12-17. E. V. Blackman, sec'y and gen. mgr.

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Milton—Milton Fair. Sept. 18-21.

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Fairfield—Jefferson Co. Fair. Sept. 11-14. J. J. Manatrey, pres.; H. V. Downs, treas.; R. C. Sayers, sec'y.

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Monroe—Monroe Co. Fair. Sept. 4-7. Jos. Dostal, pres.; Fred Fischer, treas.; B. D. Ely, sec'y.

### OHIO

Rock Valley—Rock Valley Agrl. Fair. Sept. 4-6. B. S. Thayer, pres.; I. S. Targe, treas.; Dennis Scanlon, sec'y.

### MAINE

Forest City—Winnebago Co. Fair. Oct. 2-5. Frank A. Peters, sec'y; W. C. Hanson, treas.; J. A. Peters, sec'y.

Humboldt—Humboldt Co. Fair. Sept. 11-14. L. C. Tranger, pres.; E. A. Wilder, treas.; John Cunningham, sec'y.

### NEBRASKA

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### MASSACHUSETTS

Athol—Worcester Agrl. Fair. Sept. 3-4. Dr. James Oliver, pres.; E. L. Worrick, treas.

### NEW HAMPSHIRE

Concord—Concord State Fair. Sept. 11-14. Frank Waugh, pres.; Robert C. Walt, treas.; Arthur N. Gory, sec'y.

### MAINE

Watkins—Watkins Co. Fair. Sept. 25-28. Frank Waugh, pres.; Robert C. Walt, treas.; Arthur N. Gory, sec'y.

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### MASSACHUSETTS

Brockton—Brockton Agrl. Fair. Sept. 25-28. W. A. George, pres.; Alpha Morgan, treas.; R. S. Sweet, sec'y.

### OHIO

Bowling Green—Wood Co. Fair. Sept. 25-28. A. E. Royce, pres.; Jas. G. Hickox, treas.; R. S. Sweet, sec'y.

### NEBRASKA

Creighton—Creighton Co. Fair. Sept. 13-15. W. C. Caley, pres.; H. A. Cheney, treas.; T. J. Wm. H. Thonha, sec'y.

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Allentown—Lehigh Co. Agrl. Fair, Sept. 18-22. Jerome, pres.; M. J. Kern, treas.; H. B. Schall, sec'y. Bethlehem—Pennsylvania State Fair, Sept. 4-7. J. Walter Lovatt, pres.; W. M. Appliance, treas.; H. A. Groman, sec'y. Latrobe—Inter-State Fair, Sept. 24-29. T. H. Spence, pres.; E. J. Wing, treas.; C. S. Van Aken, sec'y.

Monroe—Agrl. Fair, Sept. 12-15. Willis L. Ladd, pres.; P. C. Conley, treas.; Geo. Ward, sec'y.

Brookville—Jefferson Co. Fair, Sept. 4-7. Clarion—Clarion Co. Fair, Sept. 11-14.

Coneaut Lake—Coneaut Lake Fair, Aug. 21-24. H. O. Holcomb, pres.; I. M. Lewis, treas.; C. H. Clegg, sec'y. Dubois—Dubois Fair, Oct. 2-5. Indiana—Indiana Co. Fair, Sept. 4-7. M. F. Jamison, pres.; A. W. Mabon, treas.; Davis Blair, sec'y. Kutztown—Kutztown Co. Fair, Aug. 14-17. F. M. McLees, pres.; H. McLees, sec'y. Plattsburgh—Big Badger Fair, Sept. 4-7. Jno. T. Enloe, pres.; Jno. Woodward, treas.; C. H. Gribble, sec'y. Viroqua—Viroqua Co. Agrl. Fair, Sept. 18-21. F. M. McLees, pres.; H. McLees, sec'y. Weyauwega—Waupeka Co. Fair, Sept. 18-21. Albert Smith, pres.; H. J. Becker, treas.; A. L. Hutchinson, sec'y. Baraboo—Baraboo Co. Fair, Sept. 24-26. Daniel Quinlan, pres.; S. Dymant, treas.; R. J. Fletcher, sec'y. Bowmansburg—Durham Agrl. Fair, Sept. 27-28. H. C. Hoar, pres.; M. A. James, sec'y.

CANADA

Delta—Delta Fair, Sept. 25-26. Phillip Halley, pres.; W. A. Bell, treas.; L. N. Phelps, sec'y. Elkhorn—Elkhorn Fair, Oct. 8-10. C. S. Burton, sec'y. Stoneboro—Stoneboro Fair, Sept. 25-27. Burton, sec'y. Lindsay—Central Exhibition, Sept. 20-22. J. S. Johnson, pres.; Robt. P. Cann, treas.; Chas. B. Hines, sec'y. Stroudsburg—Stroudsburg Co. Fair, Aug. 28-31. F. B. Overfield, sec'y.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Vermillion—Clay Co. Fair, Sept. 18-21. A. Clark, pres.; C. J. Gunderson, treas.; C. Christanson, sec'y.

VERMONT

Barton—Orleans Co. Fair, Sept. 11-14. H. H. Somers, pres.; O. D. Owen, treas.; C. E. Hammett, sec'y. Bradford—A. & F. Assn. Fair, Aug. 21-23. T. J. Allen, pres.; E. T. Cunningham, treas.; M. A. Jenkins, sec'y.

WIRGINIA

Bethany—Bethany Fair, Sept. 18-21. W. C. Cobb, treas.; E. C. Hathaway, pres.; W. C. Cobb, sec'y.

Asheville, N. C.—Horse Show, April 24-25. W. F. Randolph, sec'y.

Batesburg—Batesburg Fair, Feb. 19-24. Menard—Menard Co. Fair, Sept. 18-21. W. W. Martin, treas.; C. S. Dorn, sec'y.

Clarendon—Clarendon Co. Fair, Sept. 3-6. C. S. Spates, pres.; James N. Hess, sec'y.

WEST VIRGINIA

Bethany—Bethany Fair, Sept. 17-20. A. L. Boren, pres.; E. W. Martin, treas.; W. H. Young, sec'y.

Tiffin—Tiffin Fair, Sept. 4-7. S. W. Rohrer, pres.; E. L. Volkman, treas.; Morgan Ink, sec'y.

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Beaverdam—Dodge Co. Fair, Sept. 24-28. W. A. Griffin, pres.; E. B. Drake, treas.; E. A. Walborn, sec'y.

Waukesha—Waukesha Co. Fair, Sept. 18-21. A. F. Shaffer, pres.; G. W. Howard, treas.; D. W. Phillips, sec'y.

Zanesville—Muskingum Co. Fair, Sept. 18-21. J. H. Frazier, pres.; A. F. Vest, treas.; E. Y. White, sec'y.

New Street Fairs

These dates have been contributed since the publication of our last list.

Jefferson—Jefferson Co. Fair, Oct. 2-5. W. F. Kressler, sec'y.

Latrobe—Inter-State Fair, Sept. 24-29. T. H. Spence, pres.; E. J. Wing, treas.; C. S. Van Aken, sec'y.

Cohoes, N. Y.—Odd Fellows Free Street Fair, July 30-Aug. 4. Pierce Amusement Co., atr.

Dickson, Tenn.—Auspices Woodmen of the World, Carnival and Street Fair, May 21-28. Brown's Amusement Co., atr.

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